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BIRTHS.

DALY—February 17, 1926, at "Stella Maris," Yarisfort terrace, Dublin, to Maud, wife of Frederick Y. Daly, M.R.C.V.S., Swords, County Dublin, a son.

HANNAN—February 11, 1926, at 39 Lower Bagot street, to Moya, wife of M. J. Hannan, Cavan, a daughter.

McGREA—January 10, 1926, at Durban, South Africa, to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. G. McCrea, a daughter.

MILLER—February 5, 1926, at 262 Merrion road, to Mr. and Mrs. George Miller, a daughter.

MILLS—February 14, 1926, at Private Nursing Home, 61 Lower Beechwood avenue, to Mr. and Mrs. T. Mills, of 5 Hollybank avenue, a daughter.

MOFFAT—February 13, 1926, at Sydney, to Lily (nee Doyle), wife of Leslie P. Moffat, a daughter. (By cable.)

SMYTH—February 19, 1926, at the Tate School, Wexford, to the Rev. A. V. and Mrs. Smyth, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

KEYES and RYAN—Monday, February 15, 1926, at Monasterevan R.C. Church, with Nuptial Mass, by the Rev. Fr. Byrne, C.C., James Joseph Keyes, Moyadd, Wolfhill, youngest son of Mrs. and the late Patrick Keyes, Chatworth, Kilkenny, to Mary Frances, third eldest daughter of the late Michael and Mrs. Ryan, Balkinstown, Nurney, Kildare.

MULDERRY and O'BRIEN—February 16, 1926, at Church of St. John the Baptist, Clontarf, with Nuptial Mass, by the Rev. James Dempsey, P.P., assisted by Rev. T. Meleady, C.C., R. Kevin Mulderry, LL.B., 67 Harcourt street, son of the late John and Mary Mulderry, to Irene Agnes, daughter of the late Henry and Mary O'Brien, Glenmore, Tremore Park.

QUIN and NORRIS—February 16, 1926, at Rosaveen, County Tipperary, by the Rev. Robert Gray James, Sinclair Quin, M.D., M.R.C.P.S.I., younger son of J. C. Quin and Mrs. Quin, Ulster Bank House, Sligo, to Nannette, only daughter of the late Thomas Norris, R.I.C., and of Mrs. Norris, 23 Lower Leeson street, Dublin.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 8.

BROOKS—February 19, 1926, at 5 Charles street New Ross, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Brooks. "Thy will be done."

BRUCE—February 20, 1926, at Leserragh, Borrisokane, Janet B. Bruce, R.R.C., daughter of the late Major Bruce. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday), 11.30, Kilbarron.

CONNOR—February 20, 1926, at 93 Moyne road, Rathmines, William Connor, beloved husband of M. A. Connor, aged 59 years. "Kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation." 1 Peter i, 5. Funeral at 9 o'clock to-morrow (Tuesday), 23rd instant, to Mount Jerome.

COX—February 20, 1926, at his residence, 26 Merrion square, Dublin, Doctor Michael Francis Cox, aged 74 years. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private.

FRYDAY—February 15, 1926, at Pittsburgh, U.S.A., Edward Shaw Fryday, second youngest son of late William Fryday, Ballydouth, County Tipperary, aged 24. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing mother and sister, Lakelands Park, Terenure. Canadian papers please copy.

GIBSON—February 20, 1926, at Point road, Crosshaven, County Cork, Jane, eldest daughter of the late Rev. Joseph Gibson, Dungiven, County Derry.

HENLEY—February 19, 1926, at his residence, Glen View, Shankill, Jeremiah W. Henley, late church of Ireland Training College, in his 82nd year. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by special request.

HILL—February 21, 1926, at his residence, 5 Victoria Villas, Malahide road, Clontarf, after a long illness, William Digman Hill. Deeply regretted. No flowers.

HUTCHINSON—February 20, 1926, at The Red Lands, Caldonia, James Meikle (Jim), elder and dearly-loved son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hutchinson, The Chestnuts, Mullingar. (By cable.)

God sees when their footsteps falter,
When the pathway has grown too steep,
So He touches the drooping eyelids,
And gives His loved one sleep.

KEANE—February 21, 1926, at his residence, Venetian Hall, Raheny, Joseph J., loving husband of Mary Keane (nee Dunne). Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife and children. R.I.P. Funeral to St. Fintan's, Howth, to-morrow (Tuesday), 2 o'clock, from above address.

LOGAN—February 20, 1926, at her residence, Donaghey House, Sherrygroome, Dungannon, Jane, widow of late James Logan, late Dublin and Carlow.

McGILL—February 20, 1926, at Delgany, Ingrion Park, Rock Ferry, Cheshire, Captain Joseph Edward McGill, of Rock Ferry, and Greystones, Ireland. Funeral at Delgany, County Wicklow, to-morrow (Tuesday), 23rd February, at 11 a.m. No flowers.

McMAHON—February 20, 1926, at Pine Hurst, Hollington Park, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sir Lionel McMahon, of Mountfield Lodge, Omagh, Bart. Funeral private. No flowers.

OLDHAM—February 20, 1926, suddenly, at his residence, 5 Victoria terrace, Terenure road, Charles Hubert Oldham, Professor of National Economics, University College, Dublin. Funeral from the above address to-morrow (Tuesday) morning at 10 o'clock to Dean's Grange.

SHIEL—February 21, 1926, Bride, dearly-beloved wife of Thomas Shiel, Hotel, Edenderry. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 2 p.m. from St. Mary's Church to Drumcooley.

SMYTH—February 21, 1926, at Mercer's Hospital, James Henry Smyth (aged 69 years), The Rotunda, Dublin, to the inexpressible grief of his loving daughter and sons. "Safe in the arms of Jesus." Funeral leaves hospital on Wednesday, 10 a.m., for Mount Jerome.

STORY—February 18, 1926, at Malahide, John Benjamin Story, of Corick, Clogher, County Tyrone, and late of 6 Merrion square, Dublin, in his 76th year.

THOMPSON—February 17, 1926, Catherine Thompson, Millpark Cottage, Roscrea, widow of the late James Thompson, aged 74.

ANNIVERSARY MASS.

O'LEARY—On to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, the 23rd inst., Masses will be offered in Whitefriar street and Mount Argus Churches for the happy repose of the soul of the late Thomas O'Leary, killed on March 23rd, 1923. R.I.P. Never forgotten.

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COLCLOUGH—In sad and loving memory of Thomas (Tom), who departed this life 21st February, 1919, at his residence, 14 Carlisle street, N.C. road. On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy. R.I.P.

GUMLEY—In memory of my beloved husband, William Gumley, who fell asleep at his residence, Swanton, Lindsay road, 21st February, 1921. "Safe in the arms of Jesus."

GUMLEY—In ever-loving memory of our dear father, William Gumley, who died 21st February, 1921.

JACOB—Fifth Anniversary—In loving memory of my beloved husband, Edward T. Jacob, who died at his residence, Clondalkin, February 21st, 1921. On whose soul, Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy. Holy Mary and St. Joseph, intercede for Him. Deeply regretted by his loving wife, daughters, sons, and grandchildren. R.I.P. American and Australian papers please copy.

SMITH—In loving memory of our dear father, William Smith, who died at Mountrath February 22nd, 1925.

THOMPSON—In loving memory of my dearly-beloved Daddy, Abraham Thompson, who entered into rest 22nd February, 1925, at his residence, Iver, Ballyfin. "Peace, perfect peace."—Hettie.

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Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming to be creditors of or otherwise to have any claims or demands upon the personal estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 13th day of January, 1924, are hereby required, on or before the 26th day of March next, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Right Honourable Henry G. Burgess, P.C., one of the executors named in the Will of the said Deceased, and to whom Probate thereof was granted on the 21st day of December, 1925, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann. And notice is hereby given that after the said 26th day of March next the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.
Dated this 19th day of February, 1926.
FRANKS and OULTON, Solicitors for said Executor, 21 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice, made in the matter of the Estate of WINIFRED DOOLEY, late of Virar street, Tuam, in the County of Galway, Widow, Deceased;
And in a cause,
"WATERS BROTHERS v. FARY" (1926, No. 12380).
The Creditors of the said Winifred Dooley, Deceased, who died in or about the month of April, 1924, are, on or before the 8th March, 1926, to send by post, prepaid, to Mr. James Concannon, of 21 Lincoln place, Dublin, the Solicitor for the defendant, the Executor of the Deceased, their names, addresses, and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order. Every creditor holding any security is to produce same at the Chambers, No. 1, Winetavern street, Dublin, on the 16th day of March, 1926, at eleven o'clock forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating upon the claims.
Dated this 18th day of February, 1926.
THOMAS W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.
HORAN and DEVINE, Solicitors for the Plaintiffs, 12 Ussher street, Dublin.
STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of CHARLES CROASDAILE ORMSBY, Ballinamore House, Kilfinnane, in the County of Mayo, Esquire, C.E., Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Vict., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be Creditors of, or otherwise to have any claims or demands against the Estate and Effects of the above-named Charles Croasdaile Ormsby, who died on the 8th day of November, 1925, are hereby required, on or before the 26th day of March next, to furnish (in writing) particulars of such claims and demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Reverend Thomas Ormsby, of Raymount, Saithill, in the County of Galway, one of the executors of said Deceased, to whom Probate was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann, on the 7th day of February, 1926. And notice is hereby further given that after the said 26th day of March next the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims or demands of which notice shall have been given as aforesaid.
Dated this 20th day of February, 1926.
FRED. SUTTON and CO., Solicitors for the said Executor, 62 Dame street, Dublin.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
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Signed,
MICHAEL NOYK, of 56 Upper Abbey street, Dublin, Election Agent for the said Patrick Belton.
Gazette Notice—Adjudication—Public Sittings—17. SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—IN BANKRUPTCY.
LAURENCE F. BETTS, of 283 and 285 Richmond road, Fairview, in the City of Dublin, Publican, was on the 19th day of February, 1926, adjudged Bankrupt.
Public Sittings will be held before the Court at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 12th day of March, 1926, and on Friday, the 26th day of March, 1926, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, whereat the Bankrupt is to attend, and to make a full disclosure and discovery of his estate and effects. Creditors may prove their debts, and at the First Sitting choose a Creditor's Assignee. At the Last Sitting the Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination.
All persons having in their possession any property of the Bankrupt should deliver it, and all debts due to the Bankrupt should be paid to A. G. Hollinshead, Official Assignee, Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, to whom Creditors may forward their Affidavits of Debt.
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HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—IN BANKRUPTCY.
JAMES CONNELL, of No. 66 Lower Camden street, in the City of Dublin, Grocer and Provision Merchant, was on the 19th day of February, 1926, adjudged Bankrupt.
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Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, made in the matter of the Estate of HUGH McGOLDRICK, Deceased;
And in the matter of the Infant, by MARY ALICE McGOLDRICK, an Infant, by William French, her next friend, Plaintiff;
And in a cause, ALICE McGOLDRICK, Widow, Defendant;
The Creditors of the said Hugh McGoldrick, late of Rosevale, Sutton, County Dublin, Wine and Spirit Merchant, who died in or about the month of December, 1923, are, on or before the 31st day of March, 1926, to send by post, prepaid, to Thomas Eatly, of 16 Henry street, Dublin, the Solicitor of the Defendant, the Administratrix of the Deceased, their names, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities held by them, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said order.
Every Creditor holding any security is to produce the same at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on the 16th day of April, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
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Town Clerk's Office, Limerick,
20th February, 1926.

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WANTED for Greystones, experienced Cook General; good wages given. Send particulars, experience, F 375, this office. 17 A

WANTED, early March, Cook General and House Parlourmaid (friends); good Catholic house; no washing; excellent wages. Apply Mrs. Creagh, Glen Parva Barracks, Leicester, England. 17 A

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WANTED, an experienced General. Apply 13 Upper Gardiner street.

YOUNG Girl, Protestant, about 15, Wanted to train as General; comfortable home. Address "Z 3363, Girl," this office. 17 A

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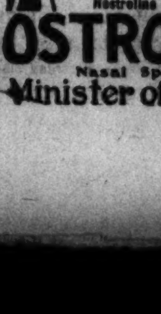

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BELFAST (2BE)—440 Metres.

4.0—Miss Florence Irwin: Talk to Housewives, "The Cooking of 'Slops' for Invalids." 4.15—The Station Orchestra; Messrs. Stoneley and Fitzgerald (violin duets); Pauline Barker (harp), Nina Smith (mezzo-soprano). 5.15—Children. 6.0—11.0—From London.

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DAVENTRY (5XX)—1,600 Metres.

10.30 a.m.—Time Signal and Weather Forecast. 11.0-1.0—The Radio Quartet and Elsie Wynn (contralto), Booth Unwin (bass), Horace Ralph (violin). 1.0-2.0 and 3.15-5.30—From London. 6.30-7.0—Broadcast to Europe. 7.0—8.0—From London. 8.0—Callender's Band. Leonard Salisbury (bass). "Captain Drabble's Restlessness," a play by Frank H. Shaw. Middleton Woods (humour); the Novelty Trio; Margaret Glanville, Harry East, Ronald Gourley. 9.30—Weather Forecast and News. 9.40—Shipping Forecast. 9.45-11.0—From London. 11.0-12.0—Jack Howard's Dance Band.

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3.45—The Station Wind Quintet. 4.45—Talk and Songs. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Orchestra. 6.40—From London. 8.0—"Sea Shanties," sung by Harold Howes, with male voice chorus. 8.30—Percy Edgar in Recitals Grave and Gay. 8.45—The London Radio Repertory Players. Henry Oscar and Michael Hogan, in "The Stallions of Gore Ash." 9.10—Songs We Love. Including Scots' Favourites by Janet Macfarlane (soprano). 9.30-11.0—From London.

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3.45—"English Literature in the Dark Ages," by Mr. Lee Nichols, B.A. 4.0—The Wireless Trio. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Music. 6.30—From London. 8.0—Symphony Concert; the Municipal Orchestra. Bertram Lewis (violin), Jose De Moraes (Portuguese tenor). 10.0-11.0—From London.

CARDIFF (5WA)—353 Metres.

12.30-1.30—Light Music. 2.30—Organ Recital. 3.0-3.15—Gramophone Records. 3.45—Afternoons with the Romantics—III., Schubert and His Music; Orchestra; Jessica Bailey-Taylor (vocalist). 5.0—"Five O'clocks." 5.30—Children. 6.15—For Young Adventurers. 6.30—From London. 8.0—The Cardiff Post Office Band; Vivien Lambelet (soprano), Franklyn Kelsey (baritone), Reg Phillips (entertainer). 10.0-11.0—From London.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—378 Metres.

3.45—The Station Quartet. 4.0—Talk. 4.15—Concert. 5.15—Children. 6.0—The Majestic "Celebrity" Orchestra. 7.0—From London. 8.0—Concert. 8.45—The Huddersfield Concert Party. 9.30-11.0—From London.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—404 Metres.

4.0—Talk. 4.15—Light Music. 5.15—Children. 6.0—John Jameson (baritone), Alice Robson (violin), Ethel Fowkes (soprano). 7.0—From London. 7.40—Mr. Alan R. Thompson: "Rugger." 8.0—The Station Orchestra; Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth (entertainers). 9.10—A Song Recital by Enid Cruickshank (contralto). 9.30—From London. 10.30-11.0—Chopin; Vincent Caygill (pianoforte recital).

LIVERPOOL (6 LV)—315 Metres.

11.30-12.30—Gramophone Lecture Recital by Moses Baritz. 4.0—Patrizov and his Orchestra. 5.0—Topics. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Light Music. 6.30-11.0—From London.

GLASGOW (5 SC)—422 Metres.

4.0—The Wireless Quartet; James Mason (baritone). 5.0—Mr. W. Percival Westell, F.L.S., "The Call of the Northland." 5.15—Children. 6.0-6.2—Weather Forecast for Farmers. 6.15—Alex Fryer's Dance Orchestra. 6.40—From London. 7.40—Prof. Charles Sarolea, LL.D., "Famous Women in Modern History—Catherine de Medicis" (from Edinburgh). 8.0—The Pianoforte Sonatas of Beethoven: Herbert A. Carruthers (solo pianoforte); Folk Music. 8.20—The Station Orchestra; Olive Sturgess (soprano), Alexander McCredie (tenor). 9.30-11.0—From London.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Monday, February 22.

CUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS UACHTARACH (the Supreme Court of Justice)—At 11 o'clock. For Hearing—In re Companies Consolidation Act, 1908, and the City of Dublin Steam Packet Co.; Ryan v. Ryan. For Tuesday, 23rd February—O'Donoghue v. Roche.

AN PRIMH-BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice).—In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Statement, Mooney; do., T. O'B. Kelly; adj. summons, Crowley, Bolger and Cusack. Before the Examiner, at 11.30 o'clock—Veh. etc., Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice. Chief Justice's Chambers. Before the Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock—Divilly, minors; Horan, minors; Mears, minors; O'Brien, minors; Frayne, minors; Lynch, a minor. Before Dr. Webb, at 11.30 o'clock—Walker, a minor.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS (the High Court of Justice).—In Court 2, at 11 o'clock. At Chambers—Hibernian Bank, Ltd., v. M'Clean; National Land Bank, Ltd., v. O'Hannigan; R. H. Sneyd, decd., Sneyd v. Sneyd; R. Earle, decd., Earle v. Earle; M'William v. Walker; Pim Bros., Ltd., v. Saunders; Reilly v. Stoney; C. Kinsella, decd., O'Neill v. Corcoran; Campbell v. Stubbs; S. L. Act and Healy; Wilson's Trusts; Cahill v. M'Grath; National Land Bank, Ltd., v. Murphy; Bank of Ireland v. Fitzgerald; Kelleher's Trusts, Cunningham v. Kelleher; S. L. Act and Sandiford; Liston v. Collins. For Wednesday, 24th February. Action—Rushbrook v. O'Sullivan.

DAIL EIREANN COURTS (WINDING-UP) ACT, 1925.—In Court No. 1, at 2 o'clock—Exparte Applications. Motions—Dundon v. Dundon; O'Brien v. Moran; Mee v. Dowd (1); Mee v. Dowd (2).

TRIALS BY JURY.—In Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. City Special—Kerrigan v. Bailey (personal injuries). A large attendance of City Special Jurors is required this morning at the Law Courts, the Castle, in Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. Absent jurors will be fined. The City Common Jurors need not attend until Wednesday next, 24th February. In Court No. 3, at 11 o'clock. Non-Juries—Fox v. the Minister for Defence (use and occupation); Fagan v. Daly and anor. (goods sold). For Wednesday, 24th February. City Common—O'Shaughnessy v. the Irish-American Oil Co., Ltd., and anor. (personal injuries). Non-Juries—Steel v. Slocock (commission); Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Fitzgerald (money due). For Thursday, 25th February. City Common—Jackson and anor. v. Farrelly and anor. (probate).

PROBATE.—In Court No. 3 (at conclusion of Non-Jury list). Motion on Notice—Lawless v. Bow.

MATRIMONIAL.—In Court No. 6, at 11 o'clock. Motion on Notice—La Terriere v. La Terriere. Chambers No. 1 (Room 38), at 11 o'clock—Ebrill v. O'Dwyer; Keaven v. Golden; Coughlan v. Millward; O'Connor v. Reilly; Northern Banking Co., Ltd., v. Shea; Hickey v. O'Farrell; Sheedy v. Walsh. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock—Listowel and Ballybunion Railway; Cullen v. M'Donough. At 2.30 o'clock—Thornton v. Moran.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—Milroy v. Independent Newspapers, Ltd., Nork and O'Reilly; Byers v. Conroy, Dickie, Coulter and Hamill; Byers v. Conroy, Phelan and Co.; Millar v. Morrison, Moody and Mayne; Collins v. Collins, H. Concannon; Collins v. Collins, P. M. Hosty; Flood to O'Grady, D. O'Grady. Master Denning, at 11 o'clock—Lynch's estate, F. and G. Stapleton; Nee v. Galway Co. Council, Little, O hUadhaigh and Proud; Pringle v. Clarke, Cochrane and Co.; Meskill v. Liston, R. A. Macaulay; M'Donnell, decd., A. Cox and Co.; Hanley v. Butler, P. T. Liston and Co.; same v. same, J. T. Liston; same v. same, J. A. Doyle. Master Macnamara, at 11 o'clock—Kinnane v. Bannon, P. M'Grath; Dowd to Smith, L. C. P. Smith and Co.

RECEIVER OFFICE.—Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11 o'clock. Applications for Directions—Skehan v. Maher; Bodkin v. Browne. Receiver Accounts—Healy v. Attorney-General, E. and G. Stapleton; David Finlay, owner (Stewart, petitioner), from 21st inst., Malley and Co., adjourned till to-morrow.

CIRCUIT APPEALS.—The following Circuit Appeals will appear in to-morrow's list:—Dublin Circuit—Carolan v. Minister for Defence; Kavanagh v. same; Carson v. Hannah; Doyle v. Green; M'Sweeny v. Hutchinson; Jolly v. Murphy; Goldberg v. Morris; O'Madden v. Best. Eastern Circuit—Carden Estate Committee v. Kenny. Midland Circuit—John Fitzpatrick v. O'Connor; Kate Fitzpatrick v. same.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock—Keely, vouch account, Collins and Son; Lyons, ditto, Collins and Son; Clancy, ditto, Horan and Devine; Caffrey, ditto, Lynch and Deering; arrangt., account comp., O'Mara, Cussen and Kieran; Tarrant, prove debts and vouch, Scallan and Co.; Loughnan, ditto, J. H. Montgomery; arrangt., account comp., P. M. Scales; do., do., Fullerton and Doyle; do., do., Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice; do., prove debts, V. E. Kirwan; Scott, prove debts and vouch, Murphy and Leachman; Quilty, vouch account, Thompson and Edwards; Roberts, ditto, Rooney and Co.; arrangt., account comp., Collins and Son; Lynch, inquiry, W. V. Seddall.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Stubbs, at 11 o'clock—Patrick Gould—discharge rulings and settle schedule. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—William J. B. Reynardson—discharge rulings. Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—Patrick H. O'Hara—vouch. Before Mr. Longfield, at 11 o'clock—Andrew Byrne—vouch. At 2.30 o'clock—John P. de Montmorency—settle schedule. Before Mr. Leet, at 3 o'clock—Catherine Malone, settle schedule. Before Mr. Brett, at 3 o'clock—John O'Mahony and another—settle schedule. Before Mr. Grove White, at 11 o'clock—Baroness Hemphill—settle schedule. At 12 o'clock—Ernest H. Davies and others—settle schedule.

COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.—For Monday, 1st March, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, at 11 o'clock—Adjourned hearing in the matter of the proposed new classification of merchandise, as submitted by the Great Southern Railways Company.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS CHUARDA (Circuit Court of Justice). Before the Circuit Judge, at the Court House, Green street, at 11 o'clock. City of Dublin Circuit Court. Criminal Cases. Before the Assistant Circuit Judge, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—Massey v. Rochfort; Birmingham v. same; Hannon v. Fenlon; Graham v. Murphy; O'Dwyer v. Mangan; O'Brien v. Scanlon; Scanlon v. O'Brien (rent application); O'Connell v. O'Reilly; O'Reilly v. O'Connell; O'Donnell v. Mangan. For Tuesday, 23rd February.—Before the Assistant Circuit Judge, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—Mason v. Sadlier, at hearing; O'Neill v. Grace; O'Dwyer v. Sheridan; O'Neill v. Egan; Porter and anor. v. M'Loughlin; Ferns v. Craise; Hutchinson v. Ferns; same v. same; Parkinson v. Kenney and anor.; Paul v. Swords. This Day. Before Cleireach an tSiochana, at 12 o'clock—Dwyer v. Clarke, to proceed under order. For Tuesday, 23rd February, at 12 o'clock—Shaper v. Jacobson, to proceed under order. For Wednesday, 24th February, at 12 o'clock—Cottington v. Cottington, to proceed under order (peremptorily).

ADVERTISING TOURIST RESORTS.

THE EXAMPLE OF THE ISLE OF MAN.

"Tourist Development in Ulster" was the title of a paper read by Mr. W. J. Cunningham, Town Clerk, Portrush, at the first annual conference of the General Council of Northern Municipal authorities in Bangor.

Mr. Cunningham said that the tourist traffic was an industry of primary importance, and they had not yet got a Tourist Development Ministry.

The Isle of Man had a resident population of 49,078 and a total valuation of £488,282, and its Government subscribed £7,000 annually to the advertising fund, the island reaping in accordance with the expenditure.

The influx of visitors increased trade, and incidentally the valuation, of seaside resorts. In twenty years the valuation of three holiday resorts in the Province had increased by 75 per cent., and during the same period the valuation of three inland towns had gone up 14 per cent.

Much more than financial benefit accrued from the tourist invasion. The high spirits of the holiday-makers were infectious, and closer acquaintance with them meant closer relationship with other States.

The lecturer went on to say that the family man will not support a holiday resort if attractions are not provided for the youngsters. The local authorities must see that facilities are provided for golf, tennis, bowls, bathing, cricket, dancing, etc. And if the meeting of this demand entails a loss, the ratepayers should bear in mind that the money to pay the rates comes from the tourists, and that they are entitled to get—and will only return to places where they get—value for their money. Another condition which will result in an increase in tourist traffic is more, and still more, advertising.

WHERE MONEY GOES.

COUNTY OFFICES EMPLOYING UNNECESSARY HANDS?

Westmeath Executive of the Farmers' Union, at their annual meeting, decided to send a deputation to the Ministry of Local Government to point out the great amount of damage done to county roads by heavy motor traffic, and the injustice it involved on the ratepayers.

Mr. P. Kenny referred to the advantages of cow-testing, and it was decided to form an Association in Moate, the Secretary (Mr. Mooney) mentioning that arrangements were being made to form one also in Mullingar for North Westmeath.

A resolution was adopted calling on the Minister for Lands and Agriculture to take steps to prevent the abuses suffered by cattle in transit.

Following consideration of a resolution on the subject from the Ballymore branch, it was decided to bring under the notice of the Local Government Ministry that the County Council were granting pensions and creating employment for people who, they hold, were not required in the county offices.

HIRING OF MURDERERS.

AS EASY IN CLARE AS HIRING FORD CARS.

Before three young men, named Patrick McNamara, Tullycommon; Michael Kennedy, Ivy Hill, Inch; and John Irwin, Toonagh, Fountain, were put forward, at Ennis District Court on Friday, charged with having, on the 26th November, 1925, at Glanquin, Carron, fired at Francis and Michael Cahir, with intent to murder, Chief Superintendent O'Duffy said that the Justice would remember, or might have read in the Press, that in November last two respectable boys—the Cahirs—were shot at in broad daylight while attending to their father's business. That outrage was a sequel to a land dispute in the locality. He did not say that the present accused were directly concerned in that land dispute, but, he added: "We do say that there are, unfortunately, men in this county who can be hired to commit misdeeds of this nature as readily as you can hire a Ford car." The accused men were remanded in custody for eight days.

SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION.

The Irish Branch Committee of the Surveyors' Institution, at a meeting at 110 Grafton street, Dublin, on Thursday, dealt with correspondence regarding the working of the 1923 Land Act, and decided to approach the Irish Land Commission and the Minister for Finance on some of the questions involved. The arrangements for the professional examinations, to be held in Trinity College, Dublin, commencing March 15th, were submitted and approved. The date of the monthly meeting of the committee was altered to the fourth Thursday in March, instead of the third.

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

The quarterly meeting of the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland was held in Belfast on last Wednesday. The following candidates passed the examinations held in November last:—Preliminary—J. B. Byers, E. W. Calvin, R. Connor, J. Lees, and E. F. McCambridge, Belfast; W. M. Davy and N. J. Ebrill, Dublin. Intermediate—W. R. Knox and F. Neill, Belfast; G. B. Beirne, R. O'Rahilly, F. T. Russell, and W. F. Woodworth, Dublin. Final—F. Cleland, W. Duffield, J. Mulholland, and J. Zachary, Belfast; S. E. Seymour, Cork; A. E. Dawson and T. J. Morrison, Dublin.

Messrs. Wm. H. Anderson, Joseph Fogarty, and Thos. J. Morrison, Dublin, were admitted Associates in practice. Messrs. Frank Cleland, Wm. Duffield, Robert O. McClenahan, John Mulholland, James Zachary, Belfast; and Alfred E. Dawson, Dublin, were admitted Associates not in practice.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Captain Howard Brewster and Miss Brewster, of St. Mura's, Fahan, Co. Donegal, have presented to the Inch congregation a beautiful and costly set of individual Communion cups in memory of their father, Mr. John Brewster, J.P.

Mr. D. B. Henry, a ruling elder in the congregation, has presented to the Fahan congregation another beautiful and costly set of individual Communion cups.

The Rev. S. Gilmore, of West Kilburn Church, in the Presbytery of London, North, has accepted the call of the congregation of Dunfanaghy Presbyterian Church, County Donegal.

The Rev. Robert M'Causland, of Kilmacrenan, County Donegal, who has received a unanimous call to the united congregations of Tempo and Lisbellaw, will be installed early next month.

ROYAL CITY OF DUBLIN HOSPITAL.

The Board of Directors of the Royal City of Dublin Hospital met on Friday, 12th inst., Mr. W. R. Burgess in the chair. Also present:—Mr. R. W. Booth, Mr. W. Beckett, Mr. G. Jameson Johnston, Mr. T. R. McCullagh, Mr. H. A. Vernon, Mr. R. A. Stoney, Mr. Justice W. E. Wylie, Mr. W. M. Forsyth, Dr. V. M. Synge, Dr. L. Cassidy, Dr. A. R. Parsons.

The minutes of the last Board meeting were read and signed, also the minutes of the Weekly, Finance, Contracts and Nursing Committees.

The Finance Committee reported that the overdraft at the bank on the 31st January, 1926, was £10,937 2s. 6d.

The Matron begs to offer her sincere thanks for the following gifts received during the month of January:—Counterpanes, Miss F. E. Burgess, Cluain-na-Greine, Foxrock; plants, R. W. Booth, Esq.; papers, Mrs. A. Harding, 17 Mespil road; children's bed jackets, Mrs. Synge, 42 Lower Baggot street.

The Resident Medical Officer reported that during the month of January 141 patients were admitted, the number remaining in the hospital at the end of the month being 125. There were 1,418 attendances at the general and special dispensaries, and 261 accident and emergency cases were dealt with during the month.

Fully-trained hospital nurses for private cases (medical, surgical, fever and children's), who have had at least three years' training in the hospital wards, are supplied at any time during the day or night. Application to be made to the Matron.

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TILLAGE FARMING.

PROSPECTS THAT NEED BRIGHTENING.

"Until there is a revival of trade in the markets on which we depend for the sale of our products, and a consequent increase in effective demand for them, there can be no prospect of a radical remedy which shall secure a substantial and permanent improvement in the economic and financial condition of our people," says the Most Rev. Dr. Foley, in a pastoral letter, which was read in the churches of Kildare and Leighlin Diocese yesterday.

"Something can and should be done in the way of mitigating the evil; whether the remedy lies in the use of improved methods of production and marketing, or in some attempt to prop up the agricultural industry by some carefully considered measure of protection or otherwise, is a matter for the Government of the country, with all the facts and their implications before it, to decide. If the Government does not find itself in a position substantially to brighten the prospects of the tillage farmer, and to do so without delay, we may be prepared for a further shrinkage in the area under crops, and a further extension of unemployment."

THE BARROW AREA.

Referring to the proposed drainage of the Barrow, Dr. Foley said: "The least that might be expected is that inquiry should be made, through the T.D.'s of the various areas, into the character of the places, the estimated cost of the scheme and the estimated value of the improvements which would result to the large areas which are at present liable to serious damage through flooding and waterlogging, and which, owing to the level of the river-bed, cannot be drained."

Expressing the hope that "we may soon see the end of all dances of a detestable character, and also the horrible practice of company-keeping along the roads in the dark nights of winter and spring," Dr. Foley states, "that it should not be beyond the power of the Church to organise forms of instruction and amusement." Unless and until something of the kind be done, it will need a moral miracle to save the youth of the country from the corruption which threatens to overwhelm them.

DANGEROUS SUNDAY SPORTS.

Dr. Charles O'Sullivan, Bishop of Kerry and Aghadoe, in his pastoral letter, says that he looks upon recent development of sports and games on Sunday as extremely perilous and liable to lead to serious abuses. In particular, he must condemn, without any reservation, the innovation of horse races or official formal coursing meetings on the Lord's Day.

The Bishop adds:—

"We are not prepared to tolerate them in any circumstances, and we shall be compelled to take very stringent measures if there is an attempt made to introduce them into this diocese. The whole question of Sunday sports and games has been treated with the greatest toleration, and, for our part, we should be very slow to interfere with the amusements or recreation of the people. But, if we consider that there is any serious danger of abuse, we shall have no hesitation, in the discharge of our duty, in drawing public attention to any persons who are guilty of leading our people into a violation of the Lord's Day."

PERJURY IN THE COURTS.

The Bishop views with the gravest concern and anxiety any appearance of perjury in their midst. "We do not," he says, "wish to exaggerate, but when we read the reports of many law cases in this diocese and the comments of judges of the Courts, who are known to be in the highest degree conscientious and restrained in language, then we cannot but feel alarmed that there should be anything like a widespread disregard for the sanctity of an oath amongst our people.

"We trust that our priests will take every opportunity of impressing on their flocks the heinousness of this sin. Every known perjurer should be regarded as an outcast of society, one in whom there is no truth or honour or principle or decency, whose word is not to be trusted, whose dealings should be regarded as dishonest, and whose company should be shunned, because he is inspired by the devil, who is the father of lies."

ALL-NIGHT DANCES.

Dr. J. M. Harty, Archbishop of Cashel, calls attention to the statement of the Irish Bishops on the dancing abuse. "Unfortunately," he states, "as pastors of souls are well aware, there has been in places a sad deterioration in the practice of the virtue of purity, and all-night dances have had their share—a large share—of responsibility for the evil. Many happy homes have been made sorrowful and many innocent boys and girls have been corrupted by the sinful excesses of the dance halls. We appeal to all the faithful to take to heart the advice given with parental solicitude by the Bishops of Ireland. If we are to regain for our country its crowning glory of purity of life, the abuses of the dance halls must be expelled from our midst. Only by a strict observance of the rules of conduct which the Bishops have enumerated in their statement can our boys and girls be saved from the snares of the scandal-giver. Dances that are improper in themselves, dances that are not safeguarded by the presence of responsible people, and dances that are disgraced by excess of intoxicating drink should be banished from Ireland."

BESPOKE TAILORING.

A MODERN FACTORY.

In recent years there has been an increasing tendency among male folk to have their clothes made by what has come to be known as "bespoke tailoring" methods. Recognising men's inherent dislike to visiting the tailor and to repeated calls for a "try-on." enterprising tailoring firms in England introduced a system by which a man called at a tailoring or drapery shop, selected the material for a new suit, and the shop assistant ran the measuring tape over him and jotted down the figures on a sheet. These figures with the material were forwarded to the "bespoke tailoring firm," and in a week or so the man called back, and his suit was ready for wear. In very rare cases was it necessary to have even a minute alteration made.

This system had already gained a big trade from the Free State for English firms, and in order to encourage the development of "bespoke tailoring" in this country a tax was imposed on ready-made imported clothing.

An announcement elsewhere in our columns states that Messrs. Todd Burns and Co., Ltd., Dublin, have extended their factory to cope with the growing demand for "bespoke tailoring" (cut, make, and trim). Our representative visited the factories at Mary street and found a large staff busy with spring orders.

The method is to send design or fashion sheets, with measurement forms and price list, to recognised tailoring or drapery firms in any part of the country. The shopkeeper takes the measurement of the applicant for a new suit, and forwards the suit-length and the measurement form back to Messrs. Todd Burns. Here the suit is hand-cut by an expert cutter, and is tailored and returned in seven days ready for wear. The suits turned out are equal to the best cross-Channel tailoring.

In addition to the special measure department, Messrs. Todd Burns have a large factory in which they make up their stock suits of "readymades"—boys', youths', and men's—for distribution to the retail trade. The most modern machinery has been installed in this branch, and the work bears more than favourable comparison with outside readymades.

It is not as well known as it might be that the firm also has an extensive department devoted to the manufacture of shirts.

The management believes that there is a great future especially for special measure or bespoke tailoring in this country.

UPKEEP OF MAIN ROADS.

SCRAPPING HALF A COUNCIL STAFF.

Referring to a letter from the Ministry for Local Government refusing to allow Athlone Urban Council to maintain the main roads of the district under an arrangement with the County Council, and subject to the authority of the County Surveyor, the Chairman (Mr. J. J. Coen), at a meeting of the Council, declared that the plain English of that decision was to scrap their plant and disperse with the services of at least half their staff. They had but recently paid between £700 and £800 for a steam roller.

Mr. O'Meara said that they would be doubly mulcted, for they would have to pay for the scavenging of the streets and the County Council for their upkeep.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

The Necessity for a National Theatre.—To-morrow evening Mr. G. Norman Reddin will deliver a lecture at 36 Rutland square, Dublin, under the auspices of the Dublin Literary Society, entitled "The Necessity for a National Theatre." Messrs. W. B. Yeats and Lennox Robinson have promised to speak.

Organ Recitals.—Dr. George Hewson will give two recitals this week in St. Patrick's Cathedral, the first on to-morrow at 4.45 p.m., and the second on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The programme, which will consist of works by German composers only, includes Bach's Prelude and Fugue in G major, Choral Preludes by Karg-Elert, Handel's "Cuckoo Concerto," Bach's Trio in G, Grand Organ Sonata by Julius Reubke, one of the most wonderful works ever written for the organ, and the Finale of Schumann's "Etudes Symphonique." The offerings will be for the choir superannuation fund.

Passengers by B. and I. Line, via Liverpool.

ARRIVALS—J. Lewis, T. Watson, G. Jervis, J. Cathane, T. O'Brien, R. Woods, T. Stafford, T. Casey, R. Murray, R. Nolan, J. Callaghan, P. Stirling, H. J. Cullen, T. Briggs, T. Hart, R. Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Loydd.

DEPARTURES—T. Woods, R. Hope, T. Briggs, A. Stabback, R. O'Neill, S. Dansey, T. Drucker, Mrs. J. H. St. John Smith, R. Hayward.

LEINSTER.

Sale of Gorey Business Premises.—Mr. Edwin Hammond, auctioneer, Carnew, has sold to Mr. James J. O'Connor, solicitor, Gorey, in trust for Mr. Stephen J. Doyle, Gorey, the premises 85 Main street, Gorey, for £125.

The Kilkenny Coal Fund.—Major Dermot McCalmont, Mount Juliet House, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, Master of the Kilkenny Hounds, has subscribed £5 to the Kilkenny Coal Fund.

Late Mr. Michael O'Reilly.—Mr. Michael O'Reilly, Barrack street, Castlecomer, who has died, aged 84 years, was father of Rev. Thomas O'Reilly, D.D., Professor, St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny.

Tribute to Bank Official.—On leaving Athy, where he has been manager of the Provincial Bank of Ireland for eight years, Mr. W. G. Molyneux was presented with an address and a substantial sum of money. Mr. Molyneux also received many valuable gifts from private well-wishers.

At Urlingford District Court, Justice Molloy refused informations against Molly O'Mara (19), who was charged with the murder of her male infant at Johnstown, as there was no evidence to prove the cause of death, and remanded the accused to the Circuit Court on a charge of concealment of birth.

MUNSTER.

Not Interested in Tourist Traffic.—North Tipperary County Council refused to strike a rate of a farthing in the £ for the purpose of advertising the beauty spots of the county.

District Council Clerk Retires.—Mr. H. J. Sheehan, Clerk of Nenagh District Council for the past 33 years, has retired on full pension (£311 10s. per year).

North Tipperary Rates.—The rates collected up to date for the North Tipperary County Council amount to £13,370 11s. 5d.; rates outstanding, £25,000.

Death of Nenagh Man in America.—A cablegram reached Nenagh on last Saturday announcing the death of Mr. Daniel Devitt, a very successful business man, in Cleveland, Ohio. Deceased was a native of Templederry.

Large Quantity of Hay Burned.—Early on last Saturday morning a large hay shed, containing 115 tons of hay, the property of Mr. R. E. Bayly, Ballinaclough, three miles from Nenagh, was destroyed by fire.

Spring Salmon.—Some fine spring salmon were captured during the week-end by net fishermen on the Shannon, below Limerick. The weight averaged 30lbs. Owing to the abnormally high level of the water, caused by the recent incessant rains, the fishing season in the district has, so far, been very poor.

Popular Bank Official Retiring.—At a meeting held in the Imperial Hotel, Cork, of the friends and admirers of Mr. John Crosbie, Agent of the Bank of Ireland, a sub-committee was appointed to deal with the details of a presentation to him, on the occasion of his retirement on pension at the end of March next, after 50 years' service.

Youths in Trouble.—In connection with the burglaries in Tipperary on last Wednesday night, when three business premises in James' street were broken into, two boys, Daniel Butler, Old road, and Harry Blackmore, Emmet street, were charged by Superintendent Keegan, before Mr. J. S. Troy, D.J., at a Special Court on last Saturday and remanded, Butler being allowed bail.

Call for the "Axe."—North Tipperary County Council unanimously adopted a resolution, forwarded by the Meath County Council, asking that, in view of the abnormal depression and the serious financial position of the country, the Government should set up an inquiry and appoint three independent men to inquire into the salaries paid to its officials, and expenditure generally.

Horse Breeding in Tipperary.—At North Tipperary mare shows at Nenagh, Borrisokane, Roscrea and Thurles a large number of mares were exhibited, but there was a noticeable absence of good young mares. This is doubtless due to lack of breeding horses for the past few years. The Thurles show brought a remarkable entry. 190 mares were exhibited, and the judges expressed the opinion that some of the animals shown were amongst the finest type of brood mare in any country.

CONNAUGHT.

Strike at Woollen Mills.—The strike of employés at the Galway woollen mills continues. Over a week ago they ceased work on an intimation having been conveyed to them that the directors proposed to "cut" wages 20 per cent.

Aran Islands Rate Collection.—The Local Government Ministry have written to the Galway County Council urging that the collection of rates on the Aran Islands be proceeded with. The secretary was instructed to reply to the Ministry pointing out the difficulties of embarking live stock, seized for rates from the Aran Islands, in the teeth of a hostile population, and suggesting that if the islands have been, or are being, sold through the Land Commission, it might be possible to amalgamate the rates and annuities. The Council approved of this suggestion.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

The Ulster Farmers' Union.—There are now 137 branches of the Ulster Farmers' Union in the six counties.

Rates Down 1s. in the £.—A letter was read at the Coleraine Rural Council from the Antrim County Council intimating a reduction of 1s. in the £ in the rates.

Farmers and Clogher Railway Rates.—Farmers and ratepayers in the Carnteel district of Aughnacloy at a meeting in Carnteel, addressed by Messrs. R. J. Campbell, District Council, Ballygawley; C. F. Moffitt, Balragh; and James Hadden, Crilly, protested against the increased rate of 6d. in the £ for Clogher Valley Railway, which they resolved not to pay.

Omagh Flax Market.—There were 15 tons of flax in this market on last Saturday, the bulk being of medium grade. For best qualities the prices ruling were from 10s. to 11s. per stone, and for medium 9s. to 10s., with some inferior lots at 7s. 6d. and 8s. 6d. A considerable proportion of the flax was of the 1924 crop, and demand for same was dull, with prices from 1s. to 2s. per stone below those obtainable for last year's flax.

County Down School Opened.—The formal opening of the new Public Elementary School at Legacurry, near Lisburn, which replaces the old National School, took place on last Saturday. At the conclusion of a Service in the Church, Sir James Craig, Prime Minister, Northern Ireland, and Alderman Mrs. McMordie, J.P., C.B.E., were presented with keys. A procession was then formed and proceeded to the school, the doors of which were formally opened.

Objection to the Language.—The suggestion has been made by the Northern Ministry of Education that Clonelly School, County Fermanagh, be closed, and the matter has been referred to the Kesh Sub-Education Committee to consider. Colonel Barton told the Regional Committee at its monthly meeting that many children from Fermanagh went to Pettigo, in Co. Donegal, for convenience, but as their parents objected to Irish they took their children away.

Teaching Gardening in the Schools.—The Fermanagh Regional Committee have approved of the introduction of garden plot instruction in schools, and the only question was the scope of the instruction: would it include all the schools, or only those transferred? Mr. Cooper, M.P., said that only those transferred should get the instruction. The motion, which was brought forward by the Rev. A. J. Jenkins, was passed by the Regional Committee, and was agreed to, as amended by Mr. Cooper's suggestion.

Sequel to Strabane Shooting Affair.—There has been a sequel to the case in which William Hall, of Flushtown, Strabane, was charged last Sunday week with the attempted murder of his brother, Thomas Hall, Flushtown. The accused was remanded in custody to Derry Jail, but, in the meantime, he has been committed to a mental hospital. Thomas Hall, severely injured by a shot, alleged to have been discharged by his brother, has had his left hand amputated in the County Hospital, Omagh.

Queen's University and Mr. Churchill.—The Senate of Queen's University, Belfast, has decided to confer the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws upon Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, on the occasion of his forthcoming visit to Belfast on Tuesday, March 2. The degree will be conferred by Lord Londonderry, Chancellor of the University, in the Great Hall of the University, before Mr. Churchill goes to the luncheon given in his honour by the Chamber of Commerce.

Jail for Begging.—Daniel M'Auley, whose address was given as Abyssinia street, off Leeson street, Belfast, was, in the Belfast Custody Court on last Saturday, sentenced to a month's imprisonment with hard labour for begging on the Springfield road. Accused, who had previously been before the Court 101 times, said that he was delivering betting slips to men who had sent him to the bookmakers. "If the horses got up," he added, "I get something for them." Mr. Toppin, R.M.—One month with hard labour. Prisoner—Thank you. I am getting a month for nothing.

Not Guilty.—At Belfast Commission on last Saturday, before Mr. Justice Andrews, William Doig, wholesale grocer, 15 Chlorine Gardens, having offices at Royal avenue, was charged and pleaded not guilty to having on the 24th July, 1925, stolen one case, 97 boxes, and 102 parcels of laces, the property of R. D. Wright, 3 Alfred street. The case had been adjourned from the November Commission, when the jury disagreed. The jury at Saturday's trial returned a verdict of not guilty, and the accused was discharged.

Death from accidental drowning was the verdict returned at an inquest held in Brookeboro', touching the death of Patrick McCrory, Dunmoyle, Ballygawley, who was found dead in a well on last Friday.

DUBLIN THEATRES AND CINEMAS.

WEEK'S ENGAGEMENTS.

The musical comedy, "Riquette," by Oscar Straus, is to be presented, before its production in London, at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, this week. The company comes from Daly's Theatre, London, and it includes Annie Croft, Jay Laurier, Reginald Sharland, Neta Underwood, Mona Magnet and Reginald Palmer. The music is said to be fresh and unhackneyed, and the dancing should prove to be one of the best features of the entertainment. Mr. David Miller, who has taken a hand in the production, paid a visit to the United States of America recently to see how musical comedy was playing over there.

The revue "P's and Q's" comes to the Theatre Royal this week. The company includes Edwin Lawrence (comedian), Frank Jarvis, Arthur Bentley, the Chisholm Sisters, Walter Williams, Stanley Vilven and Katie Lyn. The entertainment promises to be of a high standard, especially in regard to the comedy element. Some musical scenes will add to its variety, and good chorus work may be anticipated.

Jean Zahl presents the revue, "Tea for Two," at the Olympia Theatre. One of the best items should be the exhibition of Russian dancing. Josie Castella will appear in several of the scenes with the "Tea for Two Girls." The Adelaide Trio will give a vocal entertainment, while the comedy side of the revue will be in the hands of Mark Rivers.

The variety programme at the Tivoli Theatre includes a comedy act by Kranton, and quick-change character studies by Haywood and Hay. Among other artists are Alec Kendal (comedian), De Vard (conjuror), George Griffin and company (comedy sketch), Wyn Gladwyn, and Basil King (ventriloquist).

"Red Hat" is the title of the revue at the Queen's Theatre. The comedians are Teddy Curtis and Bob Kent. Prominent among the other artists are Millie Constance, late Carl Rosa Opera Company, and Rene Chesney.

The Abbey Theatre Company will present to-night Goldsmith's comedy, "She Stoops to Conquer." The performances will begin nightly at eight o'clock, and the usual matinée will be given on Saturday.

"The White Sister," a film which has been highly praised by critics, will be again exhibited at La Scala Theatre. The principal part is played by Lillian Gish.

Rudolph Valentino, the Italian actor, appears in "The Eagle," which will be seen at the Metropole Cinema. The scene of the film is laid in Russia, and the story provides some exciting incidents.

Ricardo Cortez and Jetta Goudal appear in "Spanish Love" at the Grafton Cinema. The story concerns a young matador and an English society girl with whom he is in love. Special music will be played by the orchestra, conducted by Madame Van Aalst.

"The Lucky Horseman," at the Grand Central Cinema, introduces Tom Mix in his favourite rôle of cowboy. Billie Done and J. Farrell McDonald also figure in the film.

"The Swan" will be seen at the Carlton Cinema. The principal players in the film are Adolphe Menjou, Ricardo Cortez and Frances Howard.

The film version of Rafael Sabatini's "The Sea Hawk" is to be shown at the Rotunda Picture House. The principal part is played by Milton Sills.

FORGED TREASURY NOTE

YOUNG ATHBOY MAN SENT FOR TRIAL.

The tendering of a counterfeit 10s. Treasury note for a 6d. packet of cigarettes in a public-house in Athboy by a boy of 15 years on the 20th ult. led to the appearance, before District Justice McCarthy at Athboy last Friday, of a young man named John Sweeney (20) on charges of having forged the note and of being in possession of a paper the print on which resembled the words, letters and devices peculiar to 10s. Treasury notes.

The spurious note was handed in during the hearing of the case. It was an excellent imitation of a genuine 10s. Treasury note. The paper, however, was of a darker hue, and there was no watermark.

The boy Fox, in evidence, said that he was playing at school when the defendant, John Sweeney, came to him at about 7.40 o'clock, handed him the 10s. note, which was wrapped up, and asked him to go to Daly's or Manning's and get him a packet of "Player's." He went to Daly's and asked for the cigarettes, handing the note to the assistant, Miss Butler. The assistant took it into a room to Mrs. Daly, who examined it, getting another note and comparing the two. Mrs. Daly then handed the note in question to Guard McDonnell, who was in the room. The Guard asked the witness where he got the note. On the street later they met Sweeney, and the Guard took the witness and Sweeney to the barrack. The witness often went for cigarettes before for Sweeney.

Guard Michael McDonnell, Athboy, said that at the barrack Sweeney told him that he got the note from his mother that night before he went out. He added that he got a 10s. note in his pay, which amounted to about £2 16s. 6d. He gave all this money to his mother.

Sweeney was returned for trial on bail, himself in £20 and two sureties of £10 each. These were forthcoming.

In the case against the boy Fox informations were refused.

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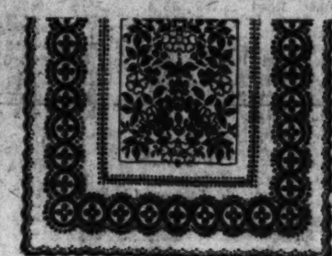

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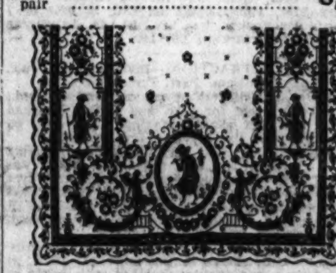

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No. 436.—Lace Curtain, Broad Crochet Lace Design Border, with large Mesh Net Centre, very soft finish. In Ivory. Size 54 inches by 3½ yds. Special Price, per pair ... 23/6

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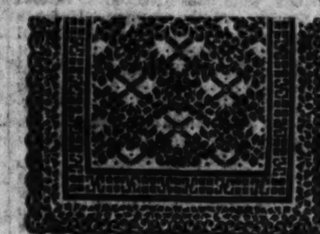

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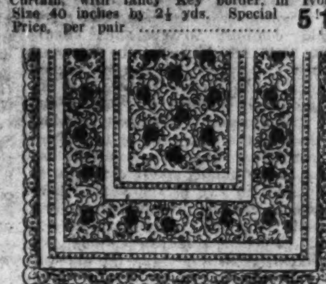

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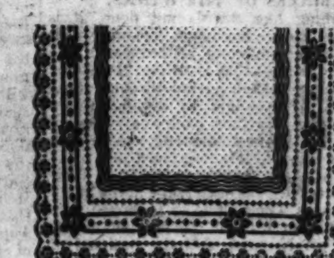

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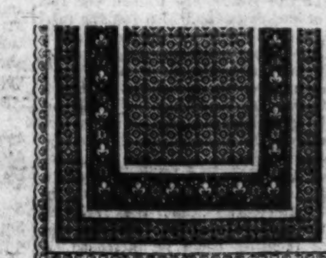

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CARLOW ROAD WORKERS' STRIKE.

EXCHANGES AT COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING.

During a discussion at the quarterly meeting of the Carlow County Council concerning the strike of road workers, some lively exchanges occurred between the Chairman (Mr. J. A. Kehoe) and Labour representatives.

Chairman (addressing Mr. MacGamhna)—It was your attitude on the occasion that engendered all the bad feeling. If you were not in the position to negotiate for the workmen, you rejected our proposal in a most contemptuous way, and you were most insulting to me.

Mr. MacGamhna—It appears that any attitude taken by me is not acceptable to you. That is why I was kept off the Board of Health.

Mr. Hayden said that it was most unfair to say that Mr. MacGamhna was responsible for the strike.

Mr. Cosgrave suggested a conference between a few members of the Council and the men with a view to a settlement.

Chairman—After Mr. MacGamhna, you are the next person responsible for the strike.

NO VICTIMISATION.

The Chairman added that he would give the men an opportunity of deciding whether they were prepared to go back to work with the men who had been employed since the strike started.

A conference was held outside the council room by the workers, and when Mr. Byrne returned he asked, in the event of the men returning to work, would there be any victimisation.

Chairman—There will be no victimisation.

The following resolution of Mr. Hughes was adopted by a large majority:—

"That all men at present working on the road be retained by the County Council while any work is available, and that the men who are at present in charge be appointed gangers, those men to get a preference of work at all times, provided they carry out their duties to the satisfaction of the County Surveyor."

Mr. MacGamhna—That resolution is illegal, and I will give notice of motion to have it rescinded.

A motion by Mr. Hayden was adopted approving of the same rate of wages being paid to all road workers, and that the Council ask the Local Government Department to sanction same, so as to bring the wages of the trunk road workers and quarrymen up to the same standard as the general road workers, gangers to be paid in each case at the same extra rate which rule obtained already.

On the suggestion of Mr. Doyle, T.D., it was decided to ask the Local Government Department for a grant to relieve the present widespread unemployment in the country.

TWO FISHERMEN DROWNED.

Two men, each over seventy years of age, belonging to Rothesay, who went on a night fishing expedition in the Firth of Clyde, near Bute, did not return. Search parties found the boat upturned. One body has been found, but the other is missing.

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS' LIMERICK PREMISES.

QUESTION OF RATING.

At the Limerick Circuit Court, before Judge McElligott, the trustees of the Irish Church Missions Society appealed from a decision of the Commissioners of Valuation, refusing to exempt for rating purposes premises known as the Medical Dispensary, 47 Thomas street, Limerick.

Mr. J. Cullinan (instructed by Mr. J. Dodds, solicitor), for the appellants, said that the premises were used for charitable purposes, and, as such, were entitled to exemption.

Doctor Long, who conducts the dispensary, said that anyone could get attendance there, free of charge, and, although a box was there, nobody was asked to contribute. There were £7 odd in the box in 1925, when 1,178 patients were treated.

In answer to Mr. H. O'B. Moran, City State Solicitor, for the respondents, Doctor Long said that he was paid by the Committee of the Irish Church Missions. He was not altogether dependent on the committee. His private practice was virtually nil. Some of his private patients came to his own house. There was a religious aspect of the work at the dispensary. He generally had a little religious Service before he began to treat patients. He distributed Testaments and other religious literature at the dispensary to people who attended, irrespective of their religious beliefs. He was aware that there were numerous public dispensaries provided by the rates.

His Lordship—Is the medical side of your work auxiliary to the religious side?

Witness—I certainly put the religious side first.

In reply to counsel, witness said that it was not essential that a person requiring medical treatment should attend the religious Services at the dispensary.

Mr. Moran said that the main question was: Was this Medical Mission a charity? He contended that it was not, in view of the dispensaries provided in the city for the relief of the poor out of the rates. He also argued that the dispensary was not engaged in beneficial work, and that the medical treatment given there was only a corollary to the religious side of the work.

His Lordship said that he had come to the conclusion that the medical work in which Doctor Long was engaged was solely for the purpose of advancing what he would describe as the religious side of his Mission. He could not hold that the premises were used exclusively for charity, and the appeal would be dismissed, with two guineas costs.

FREE STATE AND DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT.

The Dangerous Drugs Act, which passed through the British Parliament in 1920, has been adopted by the Free State Government, under the Adaptation of Enactments Act, 1922. The Order states that "references in the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, to the United Kingdom, shall be construed as references to Saorstat Eireann, and the said Act shall have effect accordingly."

SCARCITY OF SCHOOL TEACHERS.

POSITION IN THE NORTH.

A meeting of the Ulster Teachers' Union Executive Committee was held in Church House, Belfast, on Saturday, the chair being occupied by the president (Mr. Isaac M'Loughlin, B.A.).

A letter was received from Lord Londonderry acknowledging the receipt of the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Executive. In the course of his letter his lordship said:—"It was with great regret that I decided to ask Sir James Craig to allow me to retire from the Government, but I have every confidence that, at all events, the future of education in Ulster is well assured, and I have learnt during my experience as Minister of Education that there is a real desire throughout the province on the part of all concerned—and most certainly on the part of the teachers—to do everything they can to forward the cause of education."

Arising out of correspondence, it became apparent that there is at present a great dearth of teachers. There were several applications for assistance from the Executive in securing substitutes for teachers who are ill, and who have failed to obtain substitutes through the ordinary channels.

The committee dealing with the question of facilities for teachers obtaining university degrees presented its report. It is gratifying to learn that satisfactory progress is being made in this matter.

DERRY ASYLUM'S FARM.

RATEPAYERS' APPEAL FOR ECONOMY.

Representing the County Londonderry Ratepayers' Association in a call for economy in the administration of Londonderry Asylum, Mr. D. E. B. Corkell, M.B.E., who appeared before the Asylum Board last Friday, said that, while they did not grumble very much, they felt that the new Gransha farm buildings were rather elaborate, considering their cost, the size of the farm, and the fact that, if a farmer had been erecting the buildings, he would not have expended so much, but would have had buildings which would have been equally efficient.

Mr. Frank Gilliland, who was with Mr. Corkell, also spoke.

The Chairman (Alderman M. S. Moore), replying, said that the new farm buildings were an absolute necessity, and the work could not have been done for less. If their erection had been put off the old buildings would have fallen down, and the Board would have lost the grant-in-aid which the Government were giving. The Board were doing their best to keep down expenses, and would continue to do so.

Mr. W. G. Webb, J.P., pointed out that with the new farm buildings they would be able to provide their own meat, pork and milk, and rear young pigs.

In thanking the deputation, the Chairman assured them that in their advocacy of economy they were pushing a wide-open door.

NORTH TIPPERARY ROAD WORKERS.

PROTEST AGAINST WAGE REDUCTION.

Before the North Tipperary County Council met in Nenagh a large body of road workers employed by the Council assembled and protested against the proposed reduction of their wages.

The gathering was addressed by Mr. D. Morrissey, T.D., and Mr. M. Guilfoyle.

Mr. Morrissey said that they were not there to take up a hostile attitude, or to intimidate anyone, but they were there to show that all the road workers were united in resisting the proposed reduction of their wages.

At the County Council meeting, Count R. P. O'Byrne presided. Messrs. Morrissey and Guilfoyle spoke on behalf of officials and road workers.

Mr. M. Gleeson, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the officials, and urged that the Council had no power to reduce the salaries of their officials, as they were transferred officers, and were protected by the Local Government Act of 1898.

Mr. Morrissey reminded the meeting that an assurance was given by the chairman that if the "cut" could not be effected from the top officials downward, the wages of the workers would not be reduced.

The Chairman said that to break such an undertaking would be dishonourable on the part of the Council.

After a long discussion, the matter was left in abeyance, in order that the Council might get the views of the Local Government Department.

ALL-JEWISH CONCERT.

At the Greenville Hall, South Circular road, Dublin, last night there was inaugurated the first of a series of all-Jewish concerts. It proved to be a real artistic success. The artists—all members of the Dublin Jewish community—included such musicians as Miss Rosalind Cohen, mezzo-soprano, and Miss Dina Copeman, pianist. Mr. Leo Bryll, a young Russian baritone, created a good impression at this, his first public appearance on a Dublin platform. Mr. Jack Rubinstein played violin selections, and Miss F. Rubinstein and Miss K. Watchman were the accompanists.

The most striking feature of the concert was its reception by the large audience, all of them Jews. Every item on the programme was classical music, which was evidently understood and appreciated by all present.

Appointment of Peace Commissioner.—Mr. William James Williamson, Friary (Lough Eske), Donegal, has been appointed a Peace Commissioner.

MESSRS. PLAYERS' EMPLOYES.

ANNUAL DINNER IN DUBLIN.

The employés of Messrs. John Player and Sons, tobacco and cigarette manufacturers, Dublin, held their second annual dinner last Saturday night at Jury's Hotel. About 140 attended, and Mr. F. G. Henry, the general manager, presided.

The Chairman, in the course of his speech, informed the company that he had received a letter from Mr. J. Ashley Player, who expressed great regret at his absence, owing to illness.

The greater part of the Chairman's speech dealt with the satisfactory working of the Dublin factory, and the splendid development of the social and sports' side. In concluding he proposed the toast of the "Imperial Tobacco Company (of Great Britain and Ireland), Limited," and coupled with it the name of John Player and Sons, Nottingham and Dublin.

Mr. H. C. Williams, who was present from the Nottingham factory, replied.

Mr. F. H. Wardle (also from Nottingham) proposed the toast of "The Visitors," and Mr. T. A. Crampton suitably replied.

The toast of "The Chairman" was given by Mr. C. P. Gore, who spoke of the excellent and satisfactory manner in which Mr. Henry had conducted the Dublin factory.

Mr. A. E. McIver (Vice-Chairman) spoke of the very satisfactory manner in which the dinner had been arranged.

During the evening musical items were given by the Bearmac Band. Messrs. Ward, Irvine, Norman and Swain contributed vocal items; Mr. C. Dunne accompanied.

At the close of a very enjoyable evening Mr. J. H. D. Fidler thanked the artists for the way that they had entertained all present.

GERHARDT AND THE LENER QUARTET.

The visit to Dublin of Madame Elena Gerhardt, who is held by some critics to surpass all other singers in the interpretation of art-songs, is happily combined with a return of the Lener String Quartet. Together these artists will given the concert in the "Celebrity" series at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, next Saturday.

Madame Gerhardt will sing songs of Schubert and Brahms, and also six Scottish songs. In the latter she will have the co-operation of two members of the Quartet, who will join with Madame Gerhardt's accompanist, Paula Hegner, in accompaniments specially arranged for violin, 'cello and pianoforte. The string quartet performances will comprise the whole of the Mozart Quartet in B flat (No. 15); the well-known Andante Cantabile movement from Tchaikowsky's Oput. II., and two movements from the Schubert quartet, "Death and the Maiden."

RECENT IRISH WILLS.

Mr. Arthur Nelson, J.P., of Rathmore, Beechwood avenue, Londonderry, District Probate Registrar, who died on the 9th of last September, left personal estate in Great Britain and Northern Ireland valued at £6,149 2s. 7d. Probate of his will, dated the 9th of January, 1925, has been granted to Howard A. Nelson, of Moyola, Helen's Bay, Co. Down, Chief Probate Registrar, and the Rev. Ernest A. Nelson, of The Vicarage, Drumbanagher, Co. Armagh. The testator left £75 per annum to his wife, she being otherwise partially provided for; his residence and furniture to his son, Howard Arthur, he paying £25 per annum to the testator's daughter, Edith Gertrude; 67 Beechwood avenue, Londonderry, to his son Ernest, charged with the payment of £35 per annum to his said daughter; £600 to his son Frederick George, £100 to his son Victor Storey, and the residue of the property to his wife and children in equal shares.

Mr. Robert Maxwell, of Lisroddy, Co. Fermanagh, farmer, who died on the 25th of last November, left personal estate in Great Britain and Northern Ireland valued at £3,980 12s. 8d. Probate of his will, dated the 15th of January, 1910, has been granted to his nephew, Robert Dooris, of Lisroddy, farmer. The testator left Lisroddy farm to his nephew, Robert Dooris; £250 to Robert Matthew Dooris, £5 to the Rev. Father Quigley for Masses, and the residue of his property to the children of his brother, John Maxwell, and of his sister, Anne Dooris.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

The Rev. J. H. Munro, recently of Waterford, after a few months spent in Delhi, has been appointed to Jhansi, in the Central Provinces. The Rev. J. Dwyer Kelly, who also was lent by the last Irish Conference for missionary work in India, is stationed at Jubbalpore, in the same Province.

Roscrea Methodist Church, Co. Tipperary, has just had a successful "Threenahalia" Fair, which realised £250. ("Threenahalia" is Irish for a little of everything.) The proceeds go towards the improvement of the heating apparatus of the church, a new organ for Shinrone Church, and some improvements to the Manse.

The annual appeal for the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund is now being made throughout the churches of the connexion. A Dublin layman, at his own expense, has been conducting an advertising campaign for the past eight weeks in the denominational weekly paper. It is a striking testimony to the worth of advertising that virtually every collection made so far shows a decided advance on last year's. The increase varies from 20 per cent. to 150 per cent.

The annual report of the Cork circuit for 1925, just published, shows an income of £2,305 for the year. The circuit stewards are Messrs. H. M. Robertson and S. A. Wolfe, and the ministers the Revs. J. M. Alley and W. W. Hutchinson.

PUBLIC AND THE STOCK MARKETS

WHO SHOULD BEAR A BROKER'S LOSSES?

THE PROSPECTS OF COURTAULDS.

BRAZILIAN BONDS SPECULATION.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

FLEET STREET, LONDON, Sunday Night.

LAST WEEK'S SETTLEMENT.

That last week's settlement was surmounted without a declaration of default testifies to the stability of the Stock Exchange. The period covered by the account witnessed almost continuous liquidation. In part, this was due to losses incurred through the reaction in prices from the high levels of some time ago, but largely it was the effect of the operations of a speculator in the Midlands who had "let in" various firms in London and the country. If Stock Exchange reports are to be trusted, the total involved was very heavy, and had it not been that the amount was spread over several parties, who were strong enough to bear their losses, it is difficult to see how some important failures could have been avoided.

THE PUBLIC AND STOCK EXCHANGE LOSSES.

A question raised by this episode concerns the general public, for conceivably if there had been any defaults last week people who had bought and paid for stock might have been involved in the losses through the inability of a defaulting broker to make delivery. It is considered, therefore, that members should combine to guarantee clients against any loss which might be incurred through such a failure. It can be argued that, as Stock Exchange failures are very infrequent and rarely involve the public, the precaution is unnecessary. The fact remains, however, that in the last year or two there has been more than one default which has meant a loss to the public, and if such failures happen only once in five or ten years, there should be machinery for preventing any loss to the people who are investors and not speculators. Such a guarantee would not be at all difficult to arrange, and the amount for which each member of the House would be individually responsible would be almost negligible, having regard to the large numbers of brokers and jobbers in the Stock Exchange.

BUSINESS OF THE BANKS.

If something like this is not done, it is likely that Stock Exchange business will tend to concentrate more at present in the hands of the banks—that is to say, the public will send more of their orders through those institutions. They would be induced to do so in the belief that the banks only employ brokers of the highest standing, while if in an extreme case a loss was incurred, it is unlikely that the banks would ask their clients to meet it. For the sake of the Stock Exchange, as a whole, it is to be hoped that such a condition will not be brought about, because it would mean that the business of the public would be transacted to a greater extent than is now the case by comparatively few firms of brokers who already have something like a monopoly of bank business.

NEED OF GREATER PUBLICITY.

Periodically brokers complain that the banks are encroaching more and more upon their preserves. If so, the remedy is in their own hands. Let the Stock Exchange give a guarantee, such as indicated above, and accompany this by a bolder campaign of advertising emphasising the advisability of dealing only with a member of the Stock Exchange. The rules of the House are framed for the regulation of members, and also for the protection of the public, for if the latter have reason to believe that a broker has not transacted business satisfactorily, it is always open to the investor to appeal to the Stock Exchange Committee, and that body will investigate the complaint, calling, if necessary, for the books of the broker and the jobber. It is not suggested that individual members of the Stock Exchange should be allowed to advertise, though a good deal can be said in favour of that—merely that the facilities offered to the public should be better known, and if these facilities could be increased, it would be an advantage. Under present conditions the public may succumb to the wiles of the outside operator, the fraudulent seller of options, or the pedlar of worthless shares in oil properties, mines or land companies—a fraternity, in short, which is quite beyond the control of the Committee of the Stock Exchange.

COURTAULDS.

Last week's substantial rally in Courtaulds shares was assisted by the circulation of a letter compiled by a well-known firm of brokers, the gist of which is that the profits of the company were really very much larger than indicated by the preliminary statement. This, indeed, is the opinion of most people who have followed the company's fortunes. The particular view mentioned is based on the values of the company's American interest. It is pointed out that the Viscose Corporation of America, which is controlled by Courtaulds, has just won a victory in the Board of Tax Appeals at Washington which may involve the refund of several million dollars previously paid in taxation. During the case it was shown that the profits of the Corporation for taxation purposes for the years 1917 to 1919, inclusive, were assessed at nearly 59½ million dollars.

AMERICAN PROFITS.

Assuming that the United States excess profits duty absorbed 50 per cent. of this, the remaining profit of the corporation for those three years would have been over $29,000,000 (approximately £5,800,000), or more than disclosed by the Courtaulds Company for the same period. Accepting this conclusion as correct, it may be asked: Where has this profit gone? The answer would seem to be in the building of new factories and plant for the purpose of coping with the ever-growing demand for the product of these flourishing concerns. It is because of this that Courtaulds stand at a figure at which the yield to a purchaser on the basis of last year's dividend is less than 4 per cent. net. Speaking of Courtaulds, it may be said that the development of the artificial silk industry is still proceeding. More new companies are on the stocks for manufacturing the product, and some of these are believed to own patents which will result in the production of a greatly improved fabric.

BRAZILIAN BONDS.

According to a leading newspaper in Rio de Janeiro, negotiations are proceeding in London for the issue of a Federal Brazilian Consolidation Loan. This bears out the views which have been held for some time past in the London Stock Exchange. Brazilian Bonds have enjoyed a substantial appreciation in recent months, and it is believed that this has been largely due to purchases in preparation for the launching of a great loan which will consolidate the various issues of moderate amounts now quoted in London. The operations will be in anticipation of the resumption next year of sinking fund payments on the external debt, which were suspended for thirteen years under the last funding scheme. It is considered that a definite announcement that the sinking fund will once again operate would go a long way to ensure the success of the new loan, and the ultimate effect would be to give the finances of Brazil an appearance of much greater stability. If also it is shown that a substantial reduction has been effected in the note circulation, thus mitigating the main economic evil from which Brazil has suffered in the past, the whole position would be materially improved, and the recent rise in prices of Brazilian Bonds would be fully justified.

SOME OF THE SMALLER LOANS.

It may be assumed that out of the proceeds of the big consolidation loan the Government will redeem some of those issues which are small in amount and are due for repayment at a comparatively early date. It may be useful, therefore, to give a list of such loans, showing also the flat yields afforded at current prices:—

Brazilian Loans.	Amount. £	Redemption Date.	Price.	Yield p.c.
4½% 1883	2,713,100	1942	64½	7
4½% 1888	4,173,100	1945	64	7¼
5% Lloyds Brasileiro	210,500	1927	97½	5¼
4% do.	1,000,000	1933	80	5
5% 1908	1,839,400	1931	87½	5¾
4% 1911	4,042,900	1940	71½	5 9/16

The above returns allow for any accrued interest. If allowance were made for redemption the yields would be very much above the figures indicated, and because of the redemption clause it is scarcely likely that in any big consolidation plan holders would be offered anything less than repayment at par. In most of the above cases, therefore, there is considerable scope for appreciation in such an event, and the returns available meanwhile are not unsatisfactory.

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

RISES AND FALLS OF THE WEEK.

The following are the rises and falls in the most active stocks and shares dealt in on Dublin Stock Exchange during the past week, as compared with the closing prices on February 12:—

RISES.

	Price. February 12.	Price. February 19.	
National Loan	97¼	97½	+¼
5 p.c. War Loan	101¼	101½	+¼
Conversion Loan	76	76¼	+¼
Land Stock, 1933	57¼	57½	+¼
India 3½ p.c.	68	68¼	+¼
Bank of Ireland	274	274½	+½
Gt. Southern Pref.	34½	35	+½
Gt. Southern Deb.	56	57	+1
Gt. Northern Guar.	49	49½	+½
Bolands Ord.	45/0	47/0	+2/0
Brunner Mond	35/3	35/6	+/3
Cork Tram Deb.	60½	62	+1½
Courtaulds	129/3	141/3	+12/0
Dunlops	23/6	24/4½	+/10½
Dublin Tram Pref.	6½	*7½	+1/0
Irish Times 5½ p.c.	70/6	71/0	+/6
Marconi	23/0	23/4½	+/4½
Mooney (J. G.)	8⅛	8¼	+⅛
Mexican Eagle Ord.	17/10½	18/7½	+/9

* Ex-dividend.

FALLS.

	Price. February 12.	Price. February 19.	
Land Bonds	91½	91¼	−¼
Consols	55⅛	55 1/16	−1/16
Land Stock, 1939	62½	62¼	−¼
Hibernian Bank	7⅛	7	−⅛
National Bank	20¼	20	−¼
Provincial Bank	22½	22¼	−¼
Royal Bank	14	13½	−½
Gt. Southern Ord.	20½	19½	−1
Gt. Southern Guar.	43	42½	−½
Bleachers	78/0	74/6	−3/6
Bradford Dyers	58/3	51/0	−7/3
Brit. Amer. Tobacco	108/3	108/0	−/3
Chartered	28/4½	26/1½	−2/3
Dublin Distillers Pf.	36/9	35/6	−1/3
Fine Spinners	50/0	48/9	−1/3
Guinness	72½	*70½	−18/6
Radio Corp. Com.	8½	8⅛	−⅛
Sewing Cottons	60/0	59/3	−/9
Vickers	8/3	8/0	−/3
White, Tomkins	23/6	23/0	−/6

* Ex-dividend.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

T. LYONS AND CO.—Report for year ended January 31st, 1926, states that net profit, after payment of all incidental charges, repairs, management, etc., providing for income tax, and bad and doubtful debts, amounts to £12,149; add balance brought forward £9,222, making £21,371. Debentures interest took £470, dividend on Pref. to July, 1925, £489, interim at rate of 7 per cent. on Ord. £4,058, leaving £16,354. Dividend proposed on Pref. (less tax) for six months ended January 31st, 1926, £500, on Ord. at rate of 7 per cent. per annum, less tax, £4,144, to reserve £2,000, carrying forward £9,710.

BARCELONA TRACTION.—Dividend of 1½ p.c. on the 7 p.c. Non-Cum. Part. Pref. shares.

C. AND E. MORTON.—Final dividend on Ord., making 14 per cent for year, and further dividend of 1 per cent. per annum, making 7 per cent. on the Six per Cent. Participating Pref. shares.

CAIRN LINE OF STEAMSHIPS—Including £18,701 brought in, net profit for 1925 was £68,925, after providing directors' and other fees £1,371, repairs and maintenance of fleet, apart from classification surveys £15,921, and £3,919 interest charges. Dividend of 5 per cent. proposed, carrying forward £20,925.

CHARLES CLIFFORD AND SON.—Six months' dividend on Ord. shares to December 31, 1925, at rate of 10 p.c. per annum, together with bonus of 5 p.c., both free of tax.

CROSSLEY MOTORS.—Dividend of 3½ p.c. for the year on Pref. shares.

DIKOYA (CEYLON) TRUST.—Dividend of 10 p.c., less tax.

DELTA METAL.—Dividend of 12½ p.c., free of tax, for the year.

GENERAL INVESTORS AND TRUSTEES.—Dividend of 6 p.c., less tax, on Ord. stock, plus a bonus of 2 p.c., less tax, on Ord. stock.

HOPE TEA—Second interim dividend of 10 per cent. for season 1925 on the Ord. An interim dividend of 15 per cent. was paid in December last, and similar distributions were made a year ago.

ISLE OF THANET ELECTRIC SUPPLY.—Dividend at rate of 2½ p.c. on Ord. shares, leaving £3,504 to be carried forward. Revenue of £137,990 showed an increase of £14,909 compared with 1924. Gross profit of £52,250 for 1925 compares with £53,580 for 15 months ended December 31, 1924.

ISLE OF MAN STEAM PACKET.—Dividend of 5 p.c., less tax, for the year.

LANCASHIRE SHIPPING.—Dividend of 5 p.c., less tax.

NAIRN LINE.—There is a decline of about £4,000 in trading profit, the figure for the year 1925 being £71,370, as compared with £75,266 in 1924. Including £18,701 from the previous year, there is a balance of £90,136. Dividend of 5 p.c. per annum, less tax (same as for 1924), carrying forward £20,925.

PENNSYLVANIA WATER AND POWER.—Dividend of $2 per share.

SNIA VISCOSA.—Accounts submitted to meeting in Turin on Saturday showed, after making customary reductions for amortisations, a net profit of L148,482,776, of which L10,000,000 was placed to ordinary reserve, and a like amount to extraordinary reserve, making L30,000,000 in all. Shareholders receive 12½ per cent dividend, equal to L25 per share on the 3,000,000 shares, having right to the dividend as from January 1st, 1925, and carry forward is L32,235,434. Chairman stated that the profits are a record for any Italian company. Company's production of artificial silk represented in 1925 70.30 per cent. of the Italian production, 16.60 per cent. of the European, and 11.30 per cent. of the world's production. In the current year it is intended to increase considerably the production of last year.

SWISS BANK CORPORATION—The report, balance sheet and profit and loss account of the Swiss Bank Corporation for 1925 are published to-day in another column. They show that, after deduction of expenses and taxes and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, etc., the net profit for the year ended 31st December, 1925, amounts to £436,157. The Board propose to allocate to pension fund £20,000 and to pay a dividend of 5 per cent. The balance, after deduction of statutory participation of directors—viz., £17,616, and taking into account £60,731 carried forward from last year, amounts to £219,272, and is at the disposal of the general meeting. The Board propose to pay a further dividend of 3 per cent. (making in all 8 per cent. for the year 1925), which will absorb £144,000, and to carry forward £75,272 to new account.

VULCAN MOTOR AND ENGINEERING CO. (1906), LTD.—Profit for year amounted to £37,414. After deducting interest at £18,450, there is a net profit of £18,964. The directors propose that £16,370 of this balance, together with the amount of £18,629 standing to the credit of surplus on redemption of Debentures account, making in all £35,000, be applied in writing off the two following items in the balance sheet—Vulcan Car Agency, £15,000; goodwill of Newcastle business, £20,000, leaving a balance of £2,593 to be carried forward, reducing the debit balance to £486,029.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

UNCERTAIN RUBBERS.

The Rubber Share Market remains in the throes of uncertainty, and the tendency is still downward. The stream of compulsory liquidation is accentuated by a continuous trickle of nervous selling, which is forcing share quotations down to levels which bear no relation to the ruling price of the commodity or potential dividends. This state of affairs will presumably continue until something like stability is reached in the commodity market. At present the investor does not know on what standard to base his estimates of profit for the ensuing year or two. With rubber selling at 2s. and upwards, most shares are quite moderately valued, and if such a basis were assured there would be a prompt cessation of the prevailing weakness, says *The Sunday Times*. But the present uncertainty is evidently getting on the nerves of holders who bought shares at considerably higher levels, and the fear of still further depreciation is responsible for the selling alluded to. With the more immediate outlook so unsettled, it is manifestly difficult to give a definite lead, and the wisest course at the moment is to stand aside and leave the market to find its own level before embarking on further operations. Sooner or later an opportune time will present itself to make further purchases to average shares bought higher up. Meanwhile, the trend of the market, as far as the near future is concerned, is far too uncertain to justify either pronounced pessimism or unqualified optimism.

BRITISH ALIZARINE.

This company paid regular dividends of 10 per cent. for 19 years to end 1919, with occasional bonuses, and in February, 1920, distributed a share bonus of 45 per cent. out of reserves. For 1920 a 10 per cent. dividend was paid on the enlarged capital, but nothing was forthcoming subsequently until 4 per cent. for 1923. This was reduced to 2½ per cent. in the following year, and now shareholders have again to go without a distribution, as, although on trading account did better last year, special depreciation had to be provided. Amounts owing to creditors, including the bank, have been reduced by £77,400, and practically the whole difference is reflected in a drop of £71,000 in stocks and debtors. Freehold and leasehold land, buildings, etc., are valued with goodwill £599,287, after £497,387 written off, including the reserve fund of £100,000. Cash £384, and stocks and debtors (one item) £193,465, total £193,849, against creditors £104,871, and bank loan £173,770. Latter is secured by deposit of £300,000 debentures. The fully-paid shares are quoted Manchester 12s. 6d., and part paid 9s. We (*Investor's Chronicle*) believe that relations between this company and Calico Printers are close. Mr. Lennox Lee is chairman of both companies.

GRAND TRUNK STOCKS.

In an article on Canadian conditions, dealing with the Grand Trunk Railway arbitration, Mr. Anthony J. McMillan summarises the impressions on the subject gained while travelling in Canada, as follows:—"From all I heard in Canada I am quite convinced that the junior stockholders will never receive any direct cash consideration; but, if efforts are made along right lines and negotiations conducted in the right spirit, it may be possible to obtain something in the way of a deferred interest, which will be entitled to dividends when the Canadian national railways are on a paying basis."

THE OUTLOOK.

The shake-out of weak speculators has left markets in a healthier condition, and it should not be long before the more favourable factors in the situation begin to assert themselves (writes *The Sunday Times*). Of these the chief is the prospect that the Budget estimates will be fulfilled, and that a settlement may be reached in connection with the coal difficulty, which will obviate the necessity of providing for a continuance of the subsidy. While taxation admittedly remains too heavy, there is less reason to fear a further increase. Gold is not arriving at the Bank as freely as had been hoped, but the position in the Money Market offers no obstacle to Stock Exchange activity. Investment securities will probably continue to command chief attention in the near future, and Home Railway Prior Charges should receive their fair share. Apart from the evidence of economical working contained in the reports, current traffics are more satisfactory, and the agreement for the avoidance of disputes in the shipbuilding industry is of hopeful augury. Bank shares form attractive investments, despite the fact that current yields are relatively low. Courtaulds yield under 3½ per cent. on the basis of the increased dividend of 25 per cent. net. Nevertheless, we consider them a good purchase at the present price to hold for a possible £10 per share eventually. It should not be forgotten that a large proportion of the profits from the American Viscose holding has been put back into the business, and when the extensions are completed and profit-earning, there is eevry prospect of a much larger distribution.

BRITISH CONTROLLED GERMAN INDUSTRIES.

Following on the developments regarding the Potash Syndicate of Germany, the finance for which was chiefly provided by the issue of £5,000,000 7 p.c. Bonds in London, comes the announcement that the Inveresk Paper Co., Ltd., has secured control of the German Koholyt Co., whose works are believed to constitute one of the largest organisations for the production of high-grade chemical pulp in the world. This transaction has been carried out by the purchase of 21,900 shares out of a total of 22,000 shares constituting the capital of the German company, and the transference of same to the International Pulp and Chemical Co., Ltd., whose capital is being issued to the public. The German enterprise, which is now controlled by British manufacturers, formed part of the many activities of the late Hugo Stinnes.

DUNDEE JUTE STEADY.

All interest during the past week has been centred round the possibility of a reduction of production by the Calcutta Mills. The committee of the Indian Jute Mills' Association has been endeavouring to come to some arrangement, but so far without result. At a meeting held on Friday the question was discussed, but with one firm reported to be standing out, which has been far-sighted enough to procure a good supply of fibre at cheap rates and sold its production a good many months ahead, no decision was come to. The Dundee mills have been working only four days per week, amounting to 54 hours, but it has been proved that the production has not been curtailed to the extent anticipated. 10,000,000 yards of cloth per month extra have been put on the market, which has had a depressing effect on prices of productions. The market opened with an easier tendency, and prices on Tuesday fell to the extent of 20s. per ton, since when they have remained very steady on account of the Calcutta Mills showing interest and purchasing to a small extent. The slightest move on the part of buyers of the raw material firms up prices. First Marks actuals in this market are nominal in the absence of offers at £63 15s., and Daisee assortments at £53 10s. for February-March shipment.

SHAMVA MINES, LTD.

The Goldfields Rhodesian Development Co., Ltd., have issued a circular to the shareholders, informing them of the passing of the interim dividend. The circular states that damage, owing to heavy rains, to the Beira Railway is more extensive than at first supposed, and as traffic will probably not be resumed for some time it has been decided to re-ship all material to Durban. As, consequently, a return to normal conditions cannot be expected at once, the directors do not feel justified in declaring an interim dividend for the quarter ending March 31. Beyond causing temporary inconveniences to shareholders, which the directors much regret, and in the expectation that conditions will permit the resumption of regular quarterly dividends in the following June quarter, the unavoidable delay should give no cause for anxiety, seeing that the current developments continue to be favourable, and that the prospects of the mine are in no way affected.

THE SHANNON SCHEME.

LANDHOLDERS AND DR. MacNEILL.

A meeting of landholders whose lands are to be acquired for the purposes of the Shannon scheme was held at Clonlara for the purpose of taking steps to obtain adequate compensation. Messrs. Holmes and Chamney were appointed engineers, and Mr. D. Crowe, auctioneer and valuer, to prepare a statement in support of the claims of the landholders.

The meeting passed a vote of censure on Dr. MacNeill, T.D., for failing to answer a pre-paid telegram inviting him to the conference.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

FRANCS AT A FRESH LOW RECORD.

There was extreme ease in Lombard street on Saturday, owing to the usual week-end disbursements, coupled with the usual slackness of business. Old loans were renewed at 3½ to 4 p.c., while new money was offered at 3½ down to 3 p.c. and under, balances being almost unlendable at the close. Weekly fixtures were continued at 4 p.c.

Bank Rate Discount (changed Dec. 3, 1925) 5%

60 days (Bank)	4¼%				
3 months	4½	4⅜%	Trade	5	5½%
4 months		4⅜%		5¼	5½%
6 months		4⅜%		5½	6%
Loans to brokers day-to-day				4	3%
for a week					3%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call					3%
Discount houses at call					3%
at notice					3¼%

There was little doing in discounts, owing to the scarcity of bills offering, and rates were weak at Friday's levels. Fine two and three months' maturities were called 4¼-4 5/16 p.c. and six months' 4-4 1/16. The banks bought April Treasuries at 4¼ p.c., while the "hot" bills were in request at 4¼ down to 4 3/16 p.c.

The Bank announced the sale of £7,000 in bar gold and the withdrawal of £6,000 in sovereigns for Holland. The price of gold in the open market remained at 84s. 11½d. per ounce. About £740,000 is due from the Cape this week, and it is expected that Indian and Continental demands will absorb part of the consignment. Silver fell ⅛d. on China selling to 30⅝d. per ounce for both spot and forward delivery.

French francs again provided the chief feature in the foreign exchange market, the cheque rate reaching the new high record of 137 to the £. Sterling was unchanged, and Continental gold exchanges were also steady; but Norwegian and Danish kroner appreciated sharply, more especially the first-named. South American rates showed little variation, while in the Eastern market a sharp advance occurred in Japanese yen.

—	Feb. 20 Highest and Lowest.		Feb. 19 Closing Rates.		Par Rate.
Amsterdam	12.13⅝	12.14⅛	12.13⅝	12.14⅛	12.10
B. Ayres	45⅞	45¾	45¾	45⅞	47.58
Barcelona	34.50	34.52	34.50	34.51	25.22
Berlin	20.42	20.43	20.42	20.43	20.40
Brussels	106.95	107.00	106.95	107.05	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6⅛		1/6⅛		2 0
Copenhagen	18.65	18.72	18.72	18.75	18.16
Finland	193	193¼	193¼	193½	25.22½
Geneva	25.26	25.26¼	25.25	25.26¼	25.22
Greece	344	347	345	347	25.22½
Italy	120.92	121.00	120.95	121.05	25.22½
Kobe (p.yen)	1/10⅞		1/10⅞		24.58d
Madrid	34.49	34.53	34.51	34.53	25.22½
Montreal	4.88⅝	4.88⅞	4.88⅝	4.88⅞	4.86
Montevideo	50⅞d	51⅛d	50⅞d	51⅛d	51d.
New York	4.86⅛	4.86¼	4.86⅛	4.86¼	4.86
Oslo	22.70	23.02	23.14	23.18	18.15
Paris	133.77	137.00	136.00	136.10	25.22
Prague	164¼	164¾	164	164¾	24.02
Rio de Jan.	7⅛	7⅜	7⅛	7⅜	16d
Shanghai	3/0⅞		3/0⅞		—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	18.17	18.17½	18.17	18.18	18.15
Vienna	34.52	34.57	34.52	34.57	34.58½
Warsaw	36	sellers	36	sellers	25.22½

DUBLIN WEEKLY TRADE REPORT.

EXPORTS OF PORTER.

Messrs. A. Guinness, Son and Co.'s shipments of porter from Dublin, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists, for the past week were:—

Butts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf.Brls.	Qr.Brls.
2,056	9,413	941	5,564	1,138

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

1925	1,933	12,057	1,041	4,697	822
1924	139	6,226	753	2,633	521
1923	2,023	12,334	439	452	189

The above exports are equal to 16,197 hhds. for 1926 as against 16,920 hhds. for 1925, 9,571 hhds. for 1924, and 16,854 hhds. for 1923.

The following quantities of porter were also shipped from Dublin by the various firms, named as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists for week ending February 20th, 1926:—

	Bts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.	Total. Hhds.
Watkins	—	14	117	356	63	221
Mountjoy Bry.	—	13	1	25	—	22
D'Arcy & Son	—	15	—	—	—	15
Others	—	258	—	—	—	258
Total	—	300	118	381	63	516

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

	Bts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.	Total Hhds.
1925	—	300	104	302	40	478
1924	—	92	128	402	54	321
1923	—	145	2	9	6	150

EXPORTS OF WHISKEY.

The quantities of whiskey exported from Dublin, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists and bills of entry, for the week ending February 20, 1926, were as follow:—J. Jameson and Son, Ltd., 1,625 gallons; J. Power and Son, Ltd., 216 gallons; the Distillers Co., 117 gallons.

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

1925—J. Jameson and Son, Ltd., 2,074 gallons; J. Power and Son, Ltd., 630 gallons; Daly and Co., 1,088 gallons, others, 7,330 gallons.

1924—J. Jameson and Son, Ltd., 1,821 gallons; Dublin Distillers Co., Ltd., 620 gallons; J. Power and Son, Ltd., 469 gallons.

1923—15 hhds., 10 cks., 15 qr.-cks., 3 octs., 1 keg.

Foreign imports this week embraced:—

From Leghorn—267 cwts. marble slabs, 20 cwts. broom corn.

From Antwerp—3 cwts. electric machinery, 4 cwts. artificial silk, 68 cwts. rice starch, 400 tons basic slag, 2 waggonettes, 90 tons constructional ironwork.

From Hamburg—10 cwts. cycle parts, toys, religious pictures, hemp yarn, ribbon, beeswax, raw jute, glassware, electric meters, rock salt.

From Rotterdam—6 cwts. safety pins, 37 cwts. margarine, 10 cwts. wrapping paper, hemp seed, asbestos cement sheets, carrots, fruit pulp, 16 tons strawboard, 205 cwts. rice.

From Bremen—31 gross coat hangers, 150 cwts. wire nails, 60 cwts. clay products, 9 cwts. tin foil.

From Havre—Silk ribbons, 751 yards crepe-de-chine.

From New York—59 cwts. lard, 1,737 engineers' tools, 6,853lbs. hair rope, 8,312 cwts. oats and oatmeal, 250 cwts. flour, 171 cwts. baking powder, 750 cwts. rolled oats, 10 cwts. booklets.

From Goteborg—37 loads wood poles, 578 loads woodwork.

From Gothenburg—10 tons wood wool.

From Boulogne—24 scientific instruments.

From Baltimore—539 dozen glass bowls.

From cross-Channel ports 35,637 tons of coal arrived per 57 collier vessels.

TROPICAL PRODUCE MARKET STRONG.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

Business in tropical produce has shown a decided improvement this week, and prices for the chief commodities are higher on the week, though in some instances the higher values touched have not been fully held. The general tone of the markets, however, is steady to firm. Palm oil, compared with a week ago, is from 12s. 6d. to 15s. dearer, spot and February arrival material showing a premium of roughly 5s. over March-April soft regulars. In hards and mediums the premium is round about 2s. 6d. for the same period. Most of the business done has been on behalf of the home trade and America, the increased activity inducing shorts to cover at enhanced values, for importers have not been ever keen to meet requirements unless at full prices. Provisional figures of exports during January show 1,565 tons, a drop of 2,447 tons on last year, and 633 tons less than in the corresponding month of 1924. Sales during the week are given as 1,850 tons with quotations as follows:—Lagos, £38 to £38 7s. 6d.; Sherbro', £38 5s. to £38 12s. 6d.; Benin, £37 12s. 6d. to £38; and Niger £37 15s. to £38.

In the palm kernel section, movements have been somewhat reactionary, for after values had hardened up to £20 2s. 6d. for January-March shipment material, due to an increased demand on the part of consumers, coupled to which sellers were not ever ready to meet their requirements, the market eased off again, and £19 18s. 9d. was accepted for January-March and February-April, with further buyers only at 2s. 6d. and 1s. 3d. less money respectively. Then the market moved round again in favour of sellers, £20 5s. being paid for December-February shipment, with sellers asking the same for January-March and February-April material, and buyers offering 1s. 3d. and 2s. 6d. per ton less money.

Hull consumers have carried through a fair amount of business, round about £19 17s. 6d., for early shipment material, while the Northern Continent, after showing increased interest early on in the week, became less enthusiastic as sellers advanced prices. January-February material has changed hands at £20 3s. 9d., and February-March at 2s. 6d. less money.

The copra section has been a steady market, with values from 5s. to 7s. 6d. dearer on the week, this being due to the scarcity of material offered on account of the holiday in the East. Most of the demand has been for distant positions, dealers finding afloat and near at hand material difficult of sale. Marseilles has been a quiet market, with F.M. Straits February-March shipment done at £27 15s. Rotterdam, same position, has also changed at a like figure.

Ground nuts have been a rather dull market. Decorticated Nigerians, afloat to Northern Continental ports, changed at £20 7s. 6d., while Marseilles paid £20 for March-April shipment, with further business only at enhanced rates. Refined oils show a little or no change on the week, demand being small, but nut oils have met with increased activity on the part of buyers, and prices are generally harder.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS IRREGULAR AT THE CLOSE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Saturday.

All the U.S. Exchanges will be closed on Monday, Washington's birthday. The Coffee Exchange and the Sugar and Metal markets have been closed to-day.

Stocks opened firm, but there was subsequent unsettlement when bears resumed pressure against particular groups, Equipment, Motion Picture, Chemical Food, and Mercantile issues being the weakest features. American Snuff dropped 5½, a further reflection of the poor annual statement. A revival of the demand for Railroads, in anticipation of a favourable decision by the Inter-State Commission on the Nickel Plate merger, and buying of selected Industrials, then steadied the list. Cast Iron Pipe, International Harvester, Central Leather Pref., and Foundation Co. gained 3 to 4. American Can. advanced 11¼ to 344½ and Nash Motors jumped 41 to 65, a new high "record," on the purchase of [illegible] shares. In the late dealings a reaction in American Can. and fresh selling of General Electric, American Locomotive, Dupont, U.S. Rubber and Texas Gulf Sulphur caused mixed movements, and the market closed irregular. Government Bonds easy; Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales amounted to 710,000 shares.

Money on call dull and nominal. Sterling exchange steady. Silver ⅜c. lower at 66⅜c.

23,000 bags of Cuban sugar were sold yesterday at 4.18 for prompt shipment.

		Sat.	Fri.
Call Money		Nominal.	5b. 5¼a
Exchange on Lon.	60 days sight	4.82	4.81⅞
Do. do.	Demand Bills	4.85⅞	4.86
Cable Transfers		4.86⅛	4.86⅛
Do. Montreal		4.88⅜	4.88⅜
Exchange Paris, cable		3.56	3.58⅛

Eng. Parity.	STOCKS.	Closing Bid Prices. Sat.	Business Done. Fri.
105¼	U.S. Funded	102¾	102¾
134⅞	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	131⅛	131
98⅞	Do. Pref.	95½	95⅝
95⅞	Baltimore and Ohio	92⅝	91⅜
163⅞	Canadian Pacific	159½	157¾
14	Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul	13⅜	13¾
75	Chicago and North-West	73	73
38⅞	Erie Shares	37⅛	36⅞
44⅞	Erie 1st Preferred	43⅝	43⅞
121⅛	Illinois Central	118	118
137⅞	Louisville and Nashville	134⅛	133
44⅞	Missouri, Kansas, and Texas	43⅝	41
36⅞	Missouri Pacific New	35¾	35⅛
133⅞	New York C'tral & Hudson R.	129⅞	130
154⅞	Norfolk and West Com.	150½	150½
74	Northern Pacific Com.	72	72⅛
53⅞	Pennsylvania Shares	52	51⅞
89⅞	Reading Shares	87⅝	87⅞
41⅞	Do. Pref.	40⅝	41⅛
117⅞	Southern Railway	114⅝	114⅞
104⅞	Southern Pacific	101⅛	101⅛
152⅞	Union Pacific	148⅞	149
80⅞	Do. Pref.	78	77⅛
140⅞	American Smelt. and Refining	137	137¾
49⅞	Anaconda Copper	48⅛	48⅞
27	British-American Tobacco Ord.	26⅛	26⅛
105⅞	New York Consolidated Gas	102⅞	102⅞
389⅞	General Electric	379	381½
168⅞	National Lead	174	166
133⅞	United States Steel Common	129¾	129¾
129⅞	Do. Pref.	126	120
44⅞	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	43⅞	44
129⅞	General Motors (New)	126	125⅞
10⅞	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	10	9⅞
39⅞	Do. Pref. Certs.	38⅞	37⅛
45⅞	Shell Ordinary	44⅝	44⅛
68⅞	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	67	66⅞
18⅞	Anglo-American Oil	17⅜	17¼
21	Shell Union Oil Corp.	20⅞	20⅞
80	U.S. Rubber	7⅝	79¾
347⅞	American Can.	3 8	333
—	International Pet. of Canada	33⅞	34
—	Silver Commercial Bars	66⅞	66¾
	BONDS.		
—	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	—	91⅜
73⅞	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	71⅛	71¼
—	Union Pacific 4% Bonds	—	93⅝
100⅞	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bonds	106¼	106
122⅞	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	119	119
108	Do. Do. 1937	105¼	105¾
105⅞	7 per cent. German Loan	102⅜	102⅜

* Asked; † Ex div.; ‡ Ex-interest; ‖ Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT firm, 1¼c. to 1½c. higher.

	To-day.	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	192	190¼
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	197	195¾
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	164	162⅜
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	178⅞	177¾

Sales for export—15 boatloads.

RYE firm, 1½c. dearer. No. 2 spot, 107½.

Sales for export—Nil.

BARLEY barely steady at ⅛c. fall. American malting, 68.

MAIZE steady at ⅛c. rise.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed spot	83⅞	83¼

Sales for export—Nil.

LARD steady and unaltered. Prime Western steam, 15.42½; Middle West, 15.22½ to 15.32½.

FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent.—7.50 to 8.00.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per quarter, 1/9 to 2/3.

Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs., 8c. to 11c.

Cotton, high density, to Great Britain, per 100lbs.—30c.

Cotton, standard bales, to Great Britain, per 100lbs.—45c.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Standard White in cases	18.40	18.40
Standard White in barrels	15.00	15.00
Do. Philadelphia	15.00	15.00
Mid-Continent Crude	33-33.9	33-33.9
Pennsylvania Crude	2.95-3.90	2.95-3.90

RUBBER very quiet, but steady. First latex crepe, 59¾ buyers; smoked ribbed sheets, 58½ buyers, 58¾ sellers.

BURLAPS quiet. Hessian cloth—Light-weight, 8.00; heavy-weight, 10.60.

TALLOW steady. Extra loose, 9½.

TURPENTINE—Spirits of turpentine, 97; Savannah spirits of turpentine, 90.

WINNIPEG GRAINS.

WHEAT opened steady, ⅛c. down to ⅛c. up, and closed firm, 1⅛c. to ⅜c. dearer. Opening options—May, 155; July, 152½; Oct., 136½. Closing options—May, 155¾; July, 153½; Oct., 136½. Rye firm, 1⅛c. to 1c. dearer. Closing options—May, 96½; July, 96½. Oats steady, ⅛c. to ¼c. up. Closing options—May, 47½; July, 48½. Barley steady at ⅛c. rise. Closing options—May, 64¼; July, 62½. Flaxseed steady, ⅛c. higher. Closing options—May, 208½; July, 210½.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	25	9
No. 2 Northern	74	44
No. 3 Northern	53	40
No. 4 Northern	17	9
Other grades	211	195
Total	380	297

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, 1 to 4 points dearer. The closing was barely steady, 2 points up to 3 points down. Spot steady and unchanged. New Orleans spot 14 points lower.

Spot middling upland at New York—20.75.

Spot middling upland at New Orleans—19.72.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 4,000 bales; Gulf, 9,000; Pacific, nil; interior towns, 12,000. Exports—Great Britain, nil; Continent, 1,000 bales; Japan, nil.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Saturday.

WHEAT opened steady, unchanged to ⅛c. lower, after irregularity, due to buying of May against sales of later months. The market advanced under active pre-holiday covering, complaints of poor quality in the Argentine, and reports of Japanese buying of wheat and flour on the Pacific coast. The closing was firm, 1⅛c. to ⅜c. up. Spot firm.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	176	173⅜	
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	—	
Futures—Opening options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	166¼	148¾	141⅞
Prev. day	166⅞	148⅞	141⅝
Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	169	148½	142¼
Prev. day	167¾	148⅛	141⅞

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)	529	631	284,777	439,310

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE at the opening was easy, unchanged to ⅛c. down. The market closed steady at ⅛c. to ⅛c. advance.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
Spot No. 2 mixed	—	—	
Futures—Opening options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	79	82⅞	83⅞
Prev. day	78	81⅞	83
Futures—Closing options—	May.	July.	Sept.
To-day	79⅜	82⅞	84⅛
Prev. day	79	82⅜	83⅜

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)	1,215	874	154,384	176,790

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS steady, ⅛c. up to unchanged.

Futures—Closing options—	May.	July	Sept.
To-day	42⅛	42⅞	43⅞
Prev. day	41⅞	42¼	43

RYE—Futures firm, 1⅛c. dearer. No. 2 spot unquoted.

Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	96⅞	98⅛	97⅞
Prev. day	95	96⅞	96

PROVISIONS.—Lard opened steady, and prices advanced owing to the rise in grain. Shorts showed more disposition to cover, and the light hog arrivals in the West, favourable European advices and small offerings caused further improvement. Realising later brought about a partial reaction, and the market closed steady, with futures unchanged to 2½ points down and spot unaltered. Ribs declined on packers selling, and closed 7½ to 15 points lower. Lard—Spot, 14.67½.

Lard—Closing options—	Mar.	May	July
To-day	14.75	15.05	15.27½
Prev. day	14.75	15.07½	15.30
Ribs—Closing options—	Mar.	May	July
To-day	—	15.75	15.60
Prev. day	—	15.82½	15.75

BACON steady at late rates. Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average)—16.00.

HOGS easier, unchanged to 25 points down for light and unchanged to 15 points for heavy descriptions. During the week 104,000 hogs have been packed here, compared with 168,000 in the corresponding week last year. Light hogs, 12.00 to 13.50; heavy hogs, 11.40 to 11.95.

	To-day.	Same day last year.
Receipts—Western Cities	33,000	58,000
Chicago	3,000	7,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since 1st November total 9,979,000, against 14,252,000 same season last year.

PRODUCE AND FOOD.

CATTLE.

DONCASTER.—Average supply of English, but fewer Irish shown. Milk beasts, full trade with prices easier, making £25 to £33. Best stores were steady, but others neglected, prices £18 to £23, heifers £17 to £22. Pig trade active, prices firm; strong stores 72/- to 90/- and young stores 40/- to 50/-; suckers unchanged.

NORWICH.—This market remained closed owing to foot-and-mouth disease.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC.—WHEAT cargoes No. 1 Northern Manitoba afloat sellers 60/-, February 60/6, No. 2 ditto February 58/6, No. 3 ditto 56/9, white Pacific March, also April, 57/-; Australian afloat, also loading, 58/6; Barusso (61lbs.) afloat, also February, 51/-. Parcels No. 1 Northern Manitoba February-March sellers 57/6, March sold 58/-; Australian arrived, also afloat, sellers 57/-; February 57/6, Rosafe (57½lbs.) February 50/-, Barusso (61lbs.) loading 50/3 per 480lbs.

LIVERPOOL. — WHEAT—Influenced by the weakness in the Argentine, forward deliveries of wheat here showed a liberal decline at the commencement of operations, but under a natural reaction from the recent depression and a demand from "shorts" to cover, the decline was fully recovered, though prices failed to finish quite up at best. C.i.f. parcels neglected, the only business reported being Barusso (61lbs.) February to Manchester at 50/1½, and No. 1 Manitoba February was quoted at 58/6 per qr. C.i.f. parcels MAIZE River Plate February-March sold at 30/3, and May-June quoted 30/-, with 29/9 said refused. Wheat in the spot quiet and unaltered. Maize spot parcels quiet, and River Plate quoted 6/7 to 6/7½ per cental. FLOUR inactive at the recent decline. Graded wheat futures opened 1½d. per cental lower, then gradually hardened under a preponderance of buyers until ½d. to ¾d. over Friday had been registered, but this level was not fully maintained, the market closing steady, with March unchanged and other months only ½d. under Friday's final rates. Sales, 100 loads, at 11/1½ to 11/3 for March, 11/0½, 11/1¼, 11/0½, 11/0¼, and 11/0½ May, and 10/11½ to 11/0½ July delivery. Values—March 11/2½, May 11/1½, July 11/0½ per cental. River Plate maize options gave way ½d., five loads March selling at 6/7, and this price closing value. Imports of grain (cwts.):—Saturday—Flour, 1,161; maize, 7,120; peas, 1,699. Last week—Wheat, 92,445; flour, 8,191; maize, 211,160; peas, 8,974; beans, 1,648. This year—Wheat, 2,856,823; flour, 84,958; maize, 1,836,254; peas, 80,985; beans, 8,968. Last year—Wheat, 2,507,565; flour, 70,010; maize 875,437; peas, 106,761; beans, 3,639.

NEWCASTLE.—Trade very poor; prices lower all round. Flour reduced 1/- per sack. Foreign wheat 12/3 to 13/3 per cwt., English wheat 12/6. Maize 7/8, foreign 8/- to 9/-. Native oats 9/6 to 10/6. Flour 47/- to 49/- sack.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish BACON steady at partially higher prices of 120/- to 134/- per cwt., but little business reported, being considered relatively too dear. Danish steady and in moderate demand at late rates. Canadian Wiltshires quietly steady and unaltered. The market for American bacon here remains quiet, with buyers operating cautiously, though no quotable change is made in prices, the liberal supplies on hand being counteracted by steadiness in long sides and dearer hogs at Chicago. HAMS quiet, but, under the same influences as bacon, late prices are maintained. Shoulders rule quiet at unchanged rates. LARD on the spot, following the further advance in Chicago, is raised an additional 6d., prime steam being quoted 76/- to 76/6 and American refined 76/3 to 77/9 per cwt., but the demand continues of only moderate extent. CHEESE firmer and prices continue to tend upwards, especially for New Zealand, which is now dearer at 102/- to 106/- per cwt. BUTTER rules steady for Danish owing to scarcity, though other makes still quiet at recent currencies. EGGS steady at 18/- to 19/6 for Irish fresh hen, but Egyptian held at 10/- to 10/6 per 120. Imports of provisions (cwts.):—Saturday—Bacon, 278; hams, 80; lard, 50; butter, 450. Last week—Bacon, 39,774; hams, 16,484; lard, 12,233; pork, 135; cheese, 2,776; butter, 2,760. This year—Bacon, 236,570; hams, 125,778; lard, 101,467; pork, 527; cheese, 23,296; beef, 169, butter, 18,735.

LIVERPOOL REFINED LARD "FUTURES."—The advance in Chicago had already been partially discounted here, but, with sellers offering sparingly, prices improved about 6d. per cwt.; May sold at 77/3, September 78/6 to 78/9, and October quoted 79/- to 79/3 per cwt.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—A good sale was effected for the equal supply of vegetables on the market at following prices:—York cabbage 20/- to 45/- per load, Savoy 12/- to 55/- per load; Swede turnips 1/10 to 2/3 per cwt.; cauliflowers 2/6 to 3/6 per dozen; carrots 1/6 to 2/-, celery 2/- to 4/-, thyme 6d. to 9d. per bunch; parsley 9d. to 1/- per tray; sprouts 2/- to 4/- per float; Irish rhubarb 5/- dozen.

CORK BUTTER.—Steady inquiry; values unchanged. Creameries 182/- to 185/- per cwt., choice mild 180/- to 183/-, farmers' fresh packages 165/-.

DUBLIN FISH.—There was a fair inquiry for the rather limited arrival of fish, namely, 17 packages salmon, 7 chests lobsters, 50 boxes herrings, together with a trifle of sole, turbot, plaice, etc. Prices:—Salmon 1/9 to 2/6 per lb.; large lobsters 20/- to 30/-, seconds 10/- to 15/-, smalls 5/- to 7/6 per lot of 13; large soles, 30/- to 40/-, mediums 15/- to 25/-, and slips 5/- to 7/6 per 9 pairs; large plaice 6/- to 8/- per 4, mediums per 8 6/- to 8/-; turbot 1/- to 10/-, brill 6d. to 4/- each. Box fish—Codfish 14/- to 22/-, plaice 15/- to 30/-, ray 10/- to 15/- per half-box; herrings averaged 12/6 to 15/- per box.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Fair supplies; quiet demand. Soles 22d. to 28d., salmon 27d. to 38d. per lb.; live eels 17/- to 28/-, dead 15/- to 24/- per draught; turbot 18/- to 23/-, brill 12/- to 14/-, plaice 9/- to 14/-, halibut 14/- to 21/-, lemon soles 11/- to 14/-, whitches 7/- to 10/-, cod 4/- to 6/-, whiting 2/- to 5/-, hake 8/- to 13/-, skate 5/- to 8/-, haddocks 4/- to 7/- per stone.

PRODUCE.

RUBBER DOWN TO 2s. 4½d. PER LB.

LONDON.—Mincing lane market finished the week for raw rubber in a disappointing fashion, prices closing at Friday's low level, with buyers still absent. Spot was quoted 2/4½, with February-March and April-June 2/4½, while July-September marked at 2/3½, and the remainder of 1926 at 2/3.

SUGAR—The market closed the week with a quiet tone, demand both on grocery and manufacturing account being measured by wants of immediate necessity. Of English-grown granulated, Cantley sold 28/-, Kidderminster quoted 28/4½. Messrs. Tate and Lyle's cubes 31/6 to 32/-, granulated (fine and coarse) 29/1½, No. 1 28/10½, No. 2, also London and T.L.S. 28/7½; April 29/-, May 29/3; yellow crystals spot 25/7½. Czecho granulated spot 27/0, ready 14/0, April-August 15/4½ f.o.b. Hamburg; Dutch J spot 27/0, ready 14/9 f.o.b. Rotterdam; white Java May-June London 15/9 c.f. and i. terms; Cuban basis 96 per cent. February-March quoted 11/7½ c.f. and i. U.K. White terminal section ruled easier; March sold 14/-, May 14/7½, August 15/3½, December quoted 15/3½ per cwt.

SPICE—Pepper market quiet, with prices generally unchanged; Singapore f.a.q. March-May sellers 1/0½, Lampong do. 11½d., May-July 10½d., October-December 8½d.; Muntok L.S. March-May 1/4½, April-June 1/4 per lb. Tellicherry February-April quoted 125/-, Aleppy 120/- per cwt. c.f. and i. terms; Pimento spot 1d. Zanzibar January-March 9½d. Tapioca dull; Singapore flake April-May to Havre quoted 18/6. Penang seed to London quoted 16/6; sago flour January-March to U.K. 15/7½, February-April 15/6. Desiccated Cocoanut spot halves 59/-, forward 48/- per cwt.

JUTE ruled easier, with only small sales passing; February-March Continent firsts sold £54 12/6, March-April sellers £54 15/-. April-May sold £54 17/6 to £54 15/-; Lightnings February-March to April-May quoted £48 10/-, Hearts March-April £40 15/-. Hessians and Twills quiet, unaltered tone. HEMP—Manila inactive; J grade February-April, also March-May, quoted £43 15/-, K £35 10/-, L £37 15/-, M £32 per ton. New Zealand, also African, also unchanged.

LIVERPOOL.—Cane SUGAR quiet; value of Cubans Feb.-March shipment at 11/7½ cwt. c.i.f., basis 96 deg. pol. to U.K. COCOA—West African on spot steady; forward new crop sellers 41/- March-May, 40/6 February-April shipment f.o.b. D clause. COFFEE irregular. RICE—Burmah firm, with 16/3 to 16/6 quoted for No. 2 old crop in store, and 15/3 per cwt. c.i.f. forward new crop. HEMP—Manila quiet; sellers J grade £43 10/-, K £35, and L £37 10/- per ton, February-April and March-May shipment c.i.f. SAGO FLOUR—Sarawak continues slow, 19/6 to 20/- quoted ex store; afloat c.i.f. parcels, per ss. Achilles and ss. Bellerophon, offered at 15/10½, and sellers forward shipment 15/7½ January-February, and 15/4½ per cwt. c.i.f. January-March. JAPANESE PEAS in quiet request; spot unchanged at 36/- to 36/6 afloat, c.i.f. parcels 35/9, and forward shipment 34/6 to 34/- per cwt. c.i.f., according to position. RANGOON BEANS—White hand-picked move off quietly, 14/3 quoted on spot, 12/- c.i.f 1925 crop, and 13/- per cwt. c.i.f. new crop; f.a.q. for shipment nominally 9/6 to 10/- per cwt. new crop. COPRA without change at £28 per ton for sun-dried West African sorts. RICE BEAN—Burmah afloat unaltered at £4 10/-, and February-April £5 per ton ex ship terms; distant shipments firm. LOCUST BEANS—Cyprus steady at £7 7/6 to £7 10/- ex store in bags, and £6 to £6 5/- per ton c.i.f. forward new crop in bulk.

OIL CAKES—The demand continues somewhat limited; American Linseed named at £10 7/6 February-March shipment; River Plate January shipment £10 10/-, and £10 5/- February-April shipment; Bombay February-March shipment £9 15/- repeated c.i.f. Egyptian undecorticated Cottonseed optional brands £5 12/6 per ton sellers ex ship terms February-March. Burman Ground Nut remain nominal at £6 10/- to £6 12/6 40 p.c., and £6 5/- 37 p.c., c.i.f. for shipment. Liverpool Palm Kernel quiet at £6 5/- cakes, and £7 per ton crushed and sweetened crushed meals ex mills. LINSEED steady at £15 per ton for River Plate March-April and April-May shipments. COTTONSEED quiet; sellers Brazilian f.a.q. forward £7 2/6 per ton; buyers still holding off. PALM KERNELS firm; business done, December-February shipment at £20 7/6 and buyers; sellers January-March £20 10/-, buyers 2/6 less; buyers February-April £20 6/3. PALM KERNEL OIL—Liverpool makes quiet, steady at £41 crushed, and £41 10/- extracted forward deliveries naked ex mills. COCOA NUT OIL—Demand quiet, but £45 per ton c.i.f. repeated for shipment parcels to Liverpool. GROUND NUT OIL—Local-made deodorised held for £48 per ton naked ex mills; crushers' offers restricted.

SEED OILS—Liverpool Cottonseed still in request; 39/- asked for common edible, and 41/- deodorised net naked ex mills. Linseed Oil steady at 36/- raw, and 38/- per cwt. boiled on spot in barrels. PALM OIL firm, with the tendency in sellers' favour, but business rather slow. TALLOW continues firm; business reported in South American, Liebig, Paraguay, and of Colon, February-March shipment at 41/6 per cwt. c.i.f. Liverpool. CASTOR OIL—English makes held for £49 10/- pharmacy, £44 10/- firsts and £41 10/- seconds, ex mills, Hull, in barrels; Madras without change at £41 10/- per ton c.i.f. in barrels forward shipment; Calcutta good seconds forward 5⅝d. per lb. wanted ex quay terms Liverpool in cases. NITRATE OF SODA—Spot demand on a limited scale; spot sellers asking £13 10/- per ton in single bags. RUBBER—Para quiet; hard fine spot 2/5. Plantation spot and March buyers 2/4½, April-June 2/4, July-September 2/2½ per lb. CUTCH without quotable change at 50/- to 54/- per cwt. c.i.f., as in quality; spot supplies scarce. GUM—Niger Arabic steadily held on spot; buyers operate quietly. GAMBIER—Block remains at 50/- spot, and 41/- to 42/- c.i.f. forward; No. 1 cubes on spot 70/- quoted for the small offerings; No. 2 c.i.f. for shipment 57/6 per cwt. repeated. ROSIN—American types without further change at 28/- common, 41/- F and G, 34/- N, 35/- WG, and 36/- per cwt. WW on spot. TURPENTINE quiet, steady, at 66/- per cwt. for spot American. PETROLEUM Oils steady at 1/1 to 1/2 per gallon spot American refined in barrels.

LIVERPOOL WHITE SUGAR TERMINAL.—The following are Saturday's "Official Call" prices of the United Sugar Terminal Market Association, Liverpool Branch.—Morning, February 13/11½ value, March 14/0½ value, May 14/8½ sellers, August 15/4½ sellers, September 15/5½ value; tone quiet. The following are Messrs. Tate and Lyle's (Ltd.) quotations—Crystals, No. 1 30/6, small No. 1 30/-, No. 2 28/9, bright 28/7½; granulated standard 28/6, H.T.S. 28/7½, coarse 28/10½; cube 28/10½, all ex refinery, Liverpool, less 1½ per cent. discount. Cubes, ex refinery in London—First quality 31/9, H.T.S. 31/6, afternoon tea 31/3, less 1½ per cent. discount.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON. — American advanced about 5 to 3 points at first on support following the favourable overnight advices from New York, but the demand afterwards was practically nil, and although the tendency kept steady, quotations for old crop months were not maintained, and the closing rates for both old and new crop months showed an advance on the day of 3 points. Egyptians quiet. Near months closed 3 points up to unchanged, while new crop months closed 1 point lower on the day. Spot market—American quiet, and quotations are advanced 3 points. Egyptian quiet, and quotations of Sakellaridis are reduced 10 points, and those of upper and brown 5 points. Brazilian quotations are 3 points higher. East Indian show no change.

LEICESTER WOOL.—The market is very slow in getting to that pitch which was hoped for, with the exception of some classes of fancy goods, trade is very slack. The overseas business is improving a little, but, generally speaking, new business is difficult to secure. Wool and yarns are unchanged.

MOTOR CYCLIST KILLED.

When motor cycling up an incline at Methil, on the Firth of Forth coast, on last Saturday afternoon, a young man, Andrew Robertson, came into collision with a motor 'bus, and was thrown under the vehicle. He sustained shocking injuries, from which he died.

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

African City Property Trust 6 p.c. Debs. (fully paid), 102-4. Allen (J. J.) 7 p.c. Pref., 20/-21/-. Allied Newspapers 5½ p.c. First Debs., 94¼-5¼. America Fabril 6½ p.c. Debs. (£50 paid), 2-1dis. Apex (British) Artificial Silk Pref. (15/- paid), 5/-4/- dis. Auckland (City of) 5 p.c. Debs. (£47 paid), 1¼-¾ dis. Austin Motor 6½ p.c. Debs. (£35 paid), 5-4 dis. Bowater and Sons 8 p.c. Pref. (10/- paid), 6d.-9d. pm. Brazilian Coffee Ord., 18/6-19/6. Bristol Corp. 4½ p.c. (£47 paid), ½-⅜ pm. British India Steam 5 p.c. Pref., 91-½. British Monomarks (15/- paid), ¼-⅛ dis. British Tanker Debs. (£67 paid), ¾-¼ pm. Bulmer Rayon 8 p.c. Pref., 13/-14/-. Do. Defd. (1/-), 2/6-3/6. Cardiff Corp 5 p.c. (£5 paid), ¼-¼ dis. Cauldon Potteries 6 p.c. Debs. (fully paid), 92-4. Charterhouse Invest. Trust (10/- paid), par-6d. pm. Chilean 6 p.c. Bonds (£15 paid), 1/16-1/16 pm. Cunard 5 p.c. Debs. (£38 paid), 2½-2 dis. Derwent Valley Water 5 p.c. (£5 paid), 1-½ dis. Drapery and General Trust Pref., 20/3-20/9. Do. 6 p.c. Debs. (fully paid), par-½ pm. Dorman Long 5½ p.c. Debs. (£43½ paid), 2-1 dis. Dunlop Rubber 6 p.c. Debs. (£60 paid), 3½-4½ pm. Eastern Siam Tin Dredging (10/- paid), 3/-2/- dis. Eastwood 7 p.c. Pref. (10/- paid), par-1/- pm. Gas Water and General Invest. Trust 5 p.c. "A" Debs. (fully paid), 69-72. Gold Coast 4½ p.c., 92½-3½. Hudson's Bay (new) (10/- paid), 14/9-15/9 pm. Hull Corp. 5 p.c. (£40 paid), ½-¼ pm. Hungarian Land Mort. Institute 7½ p.c. Bearer (£15 paid), 3½-4 pm. International Sleeping Car 6 p.c. Bonds (£48 paid), 2½-2¼ dis. Jackson's Stores 7½ p.c. Pref. (7/6 paid), 1/3-9d. dis. Kaministiquia Power 5½ p.c. Debs., 98½-9½. Klinger Manufg. 10-year 7½ p.c. Notes, 90-2. Lancashire Electric (12/6 paid), 2/1½-2/4½ pm. Do. Pref. (13/6 paid), 3/7½-3/10½ pm. Liverpool Corp. 5 p.c. (£10 paid), 1/16-1/16 pm. Newcastle Electric New Ord. (5/- paid), 2/6-3/- pm. Nuera Art-Silk Ord. (10/- paid), 6/6-5/6 dis. Do Def., 3/6-4/6. Potash Syndicate of Germany 7 p.c., 98¼-¾. Queensland 5 p.c. 1940-60 (£18 paid), ¾-¼ dis. Reading Elec. 6 p.c. Debs. (£42½ paid), 1½-2½ pm. Richmond (Surrey) Electric (fully paid), 29/6-30/6. St. Maurice Valley Corp. 6 p.c. Debs. (fully paid), 97½-8. Silver Line 5 p.c. Debs., 100½-1. Snia Viscosa (200 lire), 64/6-65/6. South Australia 5 p.c. 1945-75 (£48 paid), 1/16-1/16 pm. State of San Paulo Coffee Institute 7½ p.c. Bonds (£50 paid), 4-½ pm. Stoke Corp. 5 p.c. (£5 paid), ¼-¼ dis. Taf Fechan 5 p.c. (£5 paid), 1½-2 dis. Tasmania 5 p.c. (£48 paid), 2¼-½ pm. Textile Trades Corp. Berlin 7 p.c. Certs. (£65 paid), 1½-¼ dis. Tolgus Mines (fully paid), 5/-5/6. United Molasses 8 p.c. Pref. (12/6 paid), 4/3-5/3 pm. Do. Debs. (£60 pd.), 1½-2½ pm. Wellington (City) 5 p.c. (fully pd.), 96½-7½. West Australia 5 p.c. (£48 pd.), 1/16-1/16 pm. Western Viscose Silk Mills 10 p.c. Pref. (10/- paid), 7/6-6/6 dis. Do. Def. (fully paid), 1/9-2/3. Wheal Kitty Tin (5/- paid), 3d. dis.-3d. pm. Yarrow Ord. (fully paid), 25/-26/-. Yorkshire Electric Power (fully paid), 29/6-30/6.

BIRMINGHAM MOTOR SHARE MARKET.

Friday's closing quotations:—Austin Ord., 6/9; do. B Pref., 17/9; do. Prefd. 10 per cent., 8/6; do 6½ per cent. Debs., 5½ dis.; Birmingham Aluminium Castings, 22/6; Birmingham Small Arms, 15/-; Bluemel Bros., 39/6; Bowden Brake, 3/7½; Bretts Stamping, 27/6; Brooks (J. B.), 14/0; Brown Bros., 15/10½; do Pref., 17/10½; Calcott Bros., 5/6; Components, 6/6; Coventry Chain, 25/9; Crossley Motors, 6/6; Dennis Bros., 69/6; Enfield Cycle, 32/-; Fodens, 19/-; Guy Motors, 6/10½; Halford Cycle, 53/6; Halley's Motor, 4/9; Hughes Johnson, 27/10½; Humber, 41/9; do. Pref., 17/9; James Cycle, 16/-; Leyland Motor, 5/9; Leyland and Birmingham Rubber, 26/3 x.d.; Lucas (Jos.), 78/-; Maudslay, 11/6; Napier Ord., 37/6; do. Pref., 21/3; New Hudson, 17/-; Riley (Coventry), 9/4½; Rolls Royce, 34/9; Rovers, 11/4½; Rudge-Whitworth, 7/10½; do. Pref., 42/6; S.T.D. Motors, 4/-; do. Pref., 9/9; do. 8 per cent. Notes, 98½; Serck Radiators, 23/-; Singer and Co., 42/9; Smith (S.) and Sons Defd., 3/3; Smith's Stamping, 25/3; Standard Motor, 39/-; Star Engineering, 3/7½; Stevens (A. J.), 26/5; Swift, 5/3; do. Pref., 9/9; Triumph, 51/9; Vauxhall Motor 6 per cent. Pref., 13/6; Vulcan Motor, 4/-; Wolseley Motor Pref., 4/3; do Deb., 68; Dunlop Rubber, 24/6; do. A Pref., 21/7½; do. B Pref., 22/4½; Parent Trust Ord., 20/-; do. Pref., 13/7½; do. Deferred, 34/6; Tyre Investment, 5/3; Tilling Stevens, 5/3; do. Pref., 13/7½.

MANCHESTER MARKET REVIEW.

FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Taken in the aggregate, arrivals of bacon have been light, and the market in consequence generally rules firm. A general scarcity of Irish bacon is reported, and this has resulted in a further advance in price. No change has been made in Continental cures this week, and Irish is now nominally 20s. per cwt. higher than Danish. Arrivals of Danish last week-end showed an increase of over 1,000 bales, and rather more Swedish came forward, but shipments of Dutch were rather less. Advices from Denmark, however, point to a heavy falling off in the killings last week owing to severe snowstorms in that country, and, if this should be followed by smaller shipments, higher prices may be expected next week for this class. Both American and Canadian rule slow, and stocks of the former are reported to be accumulating. Small supplies of Irish hams have sold at recent figures, but demand is by no means brisk. Owing to the variation in the rate of exchange no official change was made in the Danish quotation, though this by no means reflected the state of the market. Danish was about 8s. to 10s. higher on the week, and Swedish and Finnish were also advanced in sympathy. More movement is noted in box butters, the quantity of Australian and New Zealand moving into consumption being just about sufficient to test prices. Reports from Canada state that buyers representing leading British produce houses are now in the country endeavouring to arrange for a regular supply of creamery butter for the British trade. It is said that dealers are prepared to take virtually the entire output if they can be assured of a steady and regular supply. There is considerable competition for the Canadian butter output at present; the home market is stated to absorb an ever-growing quantity, while the United States also operates on a large scale. There has been something in the nature of a shortage of eggs, both English and imported new laid, and Danish are potentially off the market entirely. There are prospects, however, of increased supplies within the next few days, and merchants are clearing off available stocks at reasonable figures. Secondary qualities are fairly plentiful, but buyers are inclined to devote their attention to best selections.

There is little change to note in the position of affairs at Salford Cattle Market. After the recent outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease at the Manchester abattoirs, killings have again been resumed, and supplies of home-killed meat continue good. Imported beef and mutton have been fairly heavy and prices have favoured sellers. As is usual at the beginning of Lent, there was a falling off in the demand for all descriptions, and prices were rather on the easy side.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS.

SATURDAY.

Wind and Weather—W.S.W. wind, light breeze; fine.

Foreign Arrival.—Ss. Sonnenfelde, of Hamburg, 491 tons register (Captain Hildebrandt), from Antwerp via Cork, with general cargo, discharged at Shelter Sheds, North Wall Extension, and proceeded to Belfast with part cargo.

Coastwise Arrivals.—Ss. Lady Louth, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Puma, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Olive, from Heysham, with passengers and goods; Slieve Bawn, Slieve Gallion, from Holyhead, with goods; Lady Martin, from London, with goods; Clarecastle, from London, with hops and empties; Clareisland, from Liverpool, with empties; m.v. Harvest King, from Wexford, with malt; m.v. Traly, from Ballinacurra, with malt; Alder, from Whitehaven, with coals; Zillah, Puffin, Alyn, from Garston, with coals; Braemore, Pine, from Birkenhead, with coals; E. Hayward, from Liverpool, with coals.

Foreign Departure.—Ss. General Leman, of Antwerp, 518 tons register (Captain De Corte), for Antwerp, with general cargo and live stock.

Coastwise Departures.—Ss. Lady Louth, for Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Puma, for Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Olive, for Heysham, with passengers and goods; Lady Cloé, for London, with passengers and goods; Slieve Bawn, Slieve Gallion, for Holyhead, with goods; Clareisland, for Manchester, with porter; Cairngorn, Nugget, for Ayr, light; Kingstown, for Newport, light; Amy Summerfield, Westdale, for Garston, light; Letty, for Swansea, light; Lady Thomas, for Port Rival, light; St. Mungo, for Newport, with old rails.

SUNDAY.

Wind and Weather—S.W. wind, fresh breeze; overcast.

Coastwise Arrivals.—Ss. Kenmare, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Maple, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Brier, from Heysham, with passengers and goods; Yarrow, from Silloth, with passengers and goods; Patricia, from Cardiff, with goods; Lady Brussels, from Preston, with goods; St. Fintan, Cameo, from Ayr, with coals; Silverfield, Glenageary, from Partington, with coals; Jessie Summerfield, Mayflower, Beechfield, from Garston, with coals; Sard, Sagenite, from Newport, with coals; Whin, from Irvine, with coals; Braeside, from Llanelly, with coals; sch. Empress, m.s. Uncle Ned, sch. James Postlethwaite, from New Ross, with malt.

Coastwise Departures.—Ss. Sleth, Falavee, for Garston, with timber; sch. Twin Sisters, for Stairhaven, with dried grains; Cornelian, for Ayr, light; Glencullen, for Partington, light; Puffin, for Ormeshead, light; Braemore, Briarfield, for Garston, light; Oranmore, for Maryport, light; Cardiagn Coast, for Whitehaven, light; Alyn, for Piel, light; Zillah, for Llandulas, light; E. Hayward, for Trevor, light.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS.

During the past week six steamers landed cattle and fresh meat at Liverpool from overseas ports. The vessels, with their freights, were as follow:—The Anchises, from Australia, with 12,949 sheep and lamb carcases and 721 bags of meat; the Metagama, from St. John, with 91 boxes of pork and 1,466 boxes of meat; the Alaunia, from New York, with 367 boxes of meat; the Oxonian, from Halifax, with 599 cattle, 185 boxes of pork, and 334 boxes of meat; the Coracero, from the River Plate, with 20,957 sheep and lamb carcases, 3,963 bags of meat, and 39,393 quarters of beef; and the Baltic, from New York, with 6,036 boxes of pork and 601 boxes of meat—making a total of 599 cattle, 33,906 sheep and lamb carcases, 6,312 boxes of pork, 7,452 boxes of meat, and 38,393 quarters of beef. Compared with the arrivals of the preceding week, these figures show an increase of 4,626 boxes of pork, and a decrease of 1,152 cattle, 24,684 sheep and lamb carcases, 3,411 boxes of meat, and 23,861 quarters of beef.

FINANCIAL NOTICES.

SWISS BANK CORPORATION,

BASLE, ZURICH, ST. GALL, GENEVA, LAUSANNE, LA CHAUX - DE - FONDS, NEUCHATEL, SCHAFFHOUSE, BIENNE, CHIASSO, HERISAU, LE LOCLE, NYON, AIGLE, BISCHOFSZELL, LES PONTS, MORGES, ROLLE, RORSCHACH, VALLORBE.

Chairman of Board of Directors. LEOPOLD DUBOIS.

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West End Branch: 11c REGENT STREET, WATERLOO PLACE, S.W.1.

Managing Director in London: X. CASTELLI.

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1925. (£1 = 25 francs.)

Dr. LIABILITIES.	
Share Capital	£4,800,000
Reserves	1,320,000
Fixed Deposits	5,982,799
Current Accounts, etc.	25,707,941
Bills Payable and Acceptances	3,360,572
Profit	496,888
	£42,668,200

Cr. ASSETS.	
Cash	£2,222,083
Banks and Bankers	6,579,028
Bills Receivable	9,364,378
Loans at short dates on securities	495,913
Current Accounts	20,943,730
Permanent Investments	235,090
Government, Railway and Other Securities	2,039,530
Syndicates	168,822
Bank Premises and Other Property	618,626
	£42,668,200

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1925.

Dr.	
General Expenses and Taxes	£899,004
Provisions for bad and doubtful debts (less return of amounts previously written off) and writing down new premises, etc.	38,484
Net Profit available	496,888
	£1,434,376

Cr.	
Balance from 1924	£60,731
Discounts	622,430
Interest	245,162
Commissions	399,377
Investments and Syndicates	46,520
Coupons and Foreign Moneys	59,656
	£1,434,376

After deduction of expenses and taxes and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, etc., the NET PROFIT for the year ended 31st December, 1925, amounts to £436,157. The Board propose to allocate to Pension Fund £20,000 and to pay a dividend of 5 per cent.—viz., £240,000, on the paid-up capital. The balance, after deduction of Statutory participation of Directors—viz., £17,616, and taking into account £60,731 carried forward from last year, amounts to £219,272, and is at the disposal of the General Meeting. The Board propose to pay a further dividend of 3 per cent. (making in all 8 per cent. for the year 1925), which will absorb £144,000, and to carry forward £75,272 to new account.

FLIRTING WITH TARIFFS.

THE SUGGESTED TAX ON IMPORTED BACON.

HITTING THE CONSUMER AGAIN.

"Can the overtaxed Irish Free State consumer afford to pay more for his food when at present the cost of living is fifteen per cent. higher here than in England or Northern Ireland," asks a correspondent in a letter to the *Irish Times*, in reply to the statement which Mr. Hogan, Minister of Agriculture, is reported to have made in a recent speech to the effect that the question of a tariff on American bacon is now under consideration.

The Government, the correspondent says, is having an inquiry on the subject shortly with a view to preventing "profiteering," if such exists, though, judging by the number of bankruptcies in the grocery trade of the Irish Free State in recent months, the "profiteering" may prove to be more imaginary than real. To start an inquiry into alleged "profiteering," and, at the same time, flirt with tariffs on food products, which, if imposed, would still further increase the cost of living, is far from consistent.

FARMERS AND A TARIFF.

Let us consider the effect of a tariff on the farmers themselves, and when I say "farmers," I exclude the ranchers and graziers, who are the mainstay of the Irish Farmers' Union. I refer more particularly to the small farmer, whose views are never brought forward except to be mis-represented, and who is the mainstay of the pig-raising industry in Ireland, and likewise the principal consumer of imported bacon. Quite a number of so-called experts in economics cannot understand why the Irish farmer should sell and send his own bacon away, and buy imported bacon for his own use. It seems to the theorists "quite an absurdity," and they want to almost kick the farmers for committing what is to their minds financial suicide.

At the present time the farmer is getting close on 1s. per lb. for his pig, which includes tail, feet, legs, shoulders, belly, neck and head. He is buying imported backs, the prime cut of the pig, and which he always insists on getting at an average price, for the year of around 10d. to 1s. per lb. Were the farmer to buy "Irish" backs, assuming the Irish curer could afford to make such a cut cured in salt as the imported backs are cured, he would pay 2s. to 2s. 3d. per lb. for his bacon. If the Irish farmer were to buy the imported article in its entirety, including "tail, feet, legs, shoulders, belly, neck and head," as he sells his own, on the present price of American pigs, he could have the imported article at 6d. per lb. or less, a profit to the farmer of 100 per cent. on the exchange. Is there anything economically wrong in this?

EFFECT OF PROHIBITION.

How is a tariff going to affect the Irish curer? If the Government are unwise enough to impose a tariff on imported bacon or any food product for that matter, will they first of all see to it that there will be sufficient Irish bacon in the country to feed the population; and, further, what steps do they propose taking against an inflation of prices, which always occurs where you have not the stimulus of competition? The foreign bacon prohibited from entering Ireland will, of course, be marketed in England, giving increased supplies to the English markets, thereby reducing the price and cost of living to the English consumer, the middle class clerks in the offices, the workers in the workshops. Thus we will enable the English manufacturers to reduce wages, their highest overhead charge, and consequently enable these same manufacturers to still further reduce their manufacturing costs for "boots," "ready-made clothing," "furniture," etc., and so defeat the tariffs we have imposed to protect these articles. Certainly, John Bull can afford to smile up his sleeve if the advocates of this tariff have their way. With Irish bacon out of the way for a few years, the Danes will have the field to themselves, to cater for the wealthier classes, whose palate will in a short period have forgotten such a thing existed as Irish bacon. Would not this be disastrous for the Irish curers themselves? Assuming that after some years, we had sufficient pigs in the country to take care of the country's requirements, are the Irish factories prepared to cure their bacon in a way that would suit the agricultural labourer and small farmer, assuming still further that this class of the community could afford to pay 2s. to 2s. 3d. per lb. for Irish back rashers, instead of 10d. to 1s. per lb. they pay for the imported article, which suits them better, and which, owing to the texture of its fat, is more economical in use?

SUPPLY AND DEMAND.

At present the Irish factories turn out mild cured bacon in ten days or less. This mild cured bacon, of which the supply of sizeable weights even now is not equal to the demand, will not keep more than seven days during the hot weather. Can the rural worker or farmer afford to knock off work two or three days weekly to visit the nearest market town for his supplies "to grease" the vegetables? At present he need only visit his grocer for bacon, when he has business at the monthly fair; can bring home his imported salt cured bacon, hang it up in his kitchen, and it will keep for six months if necessary. The Irish side of bacon, for which the demand at home and in England exceeds the supply, averages 55-60lb. If a buyer ordered 1,000 such sides to be railed to Dublin this week, it is doubtful if all the Irish factories combined could fill the order at any price.

One curer, with a capacity for 400 pigs per week, is only getting an average of 60, and of this 50 he is lucky to get four or five pigs of the weight he requires to make "leanest selected" sides of 50-60lb. average, which command the top price of 140s. per cwt. For the balance he is compelled to accept 105s. to 108s. per cwt., marketing it as "fat" or "extra fat," which no one requires. This is due to the farmer; instead of marketing his pig when it reaches the weight required by the curer, he continues to feed, piling on "useless fat" for the sake of "weight" that depreciates the value of the finished product by 30s. per cwt. It is all very simple; the farmer has got to improve his methods and progress with the Dane and every other competitor. If he will not do his work properly now to meet competition, tariffs, when there will be no competition, will not improve matters.

A CHANGED OUTLOOK.

KING'S CO. FARMERS NOW FOR COMMISSIONER.

Notices having been given to rescind their resolution, passed at a previous meeting, asking that elections for the County Council be held next month, the King's County Farmers' Union met at Tullamore to reconsider the question as to whether the Commissioner (Mr. O'Keeffe) should be retained in charge of the county administration or the County Council should be restored.

Mr. Bermingham said that if anything was wrong with the administration it was not the fault of the old County Council. They had no way of doing anything better than they did, because certain expenditure had to be met. There was, for instance, a rate struck for Irish, although there were only from four to six pupils attending the Irish classes at Tullamore, where they had a population of 5,000. Although the wages of road workers were cut down by 6s. a week, he did not see any reduction in road expenditure in the county. Expenses were raised because officials were pensioned whose services should have been continued, as they were young enough and active enough to carry on their duties.

Mr. McNally said that the opinion was that if they elected a County Council they would get only the "same crowd," that would squander the ratepayers' money. The Commissioner did excellent work.

The Chairman (Mr. E. A. Hackett, C.E.) said that in order to test their opinions he would propose that they should ask the Government to hold the County Council elections.

There was no seconder, and the meeting decided in favour of retaining the services of the Commissioner.

CLARE FARMERS AND ECONOMY.

SMALLER SALARIES FOR MINISTERS.

A remarkable motion was accepted in principle at a meeting of the Clare Farmers' Association on Saturday, but was referred to the Farmer representatives in the Dáil to settle details and to take preliminary steps, if possible, to have it made legally effective. In the first place, it thanked the Minister for Local Government for his recent circular to public bodies urging the need of economy, but, "as one example is worth ten precepts," it asked the Minister, himself, to accept a "cut" of 25 *per cent.* in his salary and allowances.

It next asked the Farmers' Party in the Dáil and Senate to "set a good example" by declaring their willingness to accept a ten *per cent.* "cut" on their salaries and allowances and to introduce a motion which would provide for the following reduction:—50 *per cent.* on the salary and allowances of the Governor-General; 40 *per cent.* in salary and allowances of Ministers and all officers of State in receipt of £2,000 and upwards; 30 *per cent.* on salaries and allowances of £1,500, and 25 *per cent.* on salaries and allowances of £1,000, and so on until at £200 a year the reduction should be five *per cent.* These reductions should also be made applicable to the salaries of officers in the employment of local public bodies. Existing pensions should be reduced on the same scale. In future no pensions should be granted in the Free State except old age pensions.

This provision, according to the motion, would encourage thrift amongst officials while in receipt of salaries and induce them to put money aside for the rainy day instead of throwing themselves on the public purse, out of which they had been paid liberally while on active service. Farmers, labourers and artisans had no pensions although they had to work harder and under worse conditions than servants of the State or employés of local public bodies.

An instruction was given to the Farmer representatives on the Clare County Council that a substantial reduction in the rate for the year 1926-7 was expected.

The President (Colonel G. O'C. Westropp) pointed out that, in addition to the cost of maintenance of the county institutions, the ratepayers might anticipate a further burden of £30,000 during the coming financial year, as the result of a vast increase in the amount of the irrecoverable rates and of unpaid purchase annuities.

Mr. Thomas Falvey said that if farmers, instead of describing themselves as Free Staters or Republicans, remembered that they had to live by the land they "would not have sold their birthright and let a crowd of jackeens into the Dáil to boss them."

Mr. Conor Hogan, T.D., said that he had worn out his shoes going to Government Buildings to scrutinise details of local expenditure and to prevent increases of salary being given to officials.

FATAL GUN ACCIDENT.

SHOT ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED.

James Irwin, aged 18, a clerk in the Great Northern Railway at Belfast, met with a shocking death near Dungannon on Saturday afternoon.

He was out shooting with a number of other youths, including his brother, Samuel Irwin, and when getting into a motor car to return home his brother's gun was accidentally discharged. James Irwin was shot dead on the spot. He was a son of Mr. Charles Irwin, Poor Law Guardian, Dungannon.

Mr. James Irwin had been on sick leave, and was to have returned to his work on Monday.

Our Dungannon Correspondent states that it appears that James Irwin's brother, Samuel, when preparing to leave in a motor car to discover the cause of the non-return of a party of boys who had gone out on a fowling expedition, left a shot gun on the seat of the car. It immediately exploded, and the charge struck James in the head, causing instantaneous death. The body was taken in the motor car to the residence of Dr. Campbell, who pronounced life extinct.

FATAL ROAD COLLISION.

YOUNG MAN FATALLY INJURED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LURGAN, Sunday.

An occurrence of a very tragic nature, resulting in the death of a young man, named Joseph Gaston, aged eighteen years, son of the Rev. Mr. Gaston, retired Presbyterian minister, residing at Lismaine, near the village of Maralin, took place on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Gaston, who was in the employment of Mr. William Johnston, hardware merchant, High street, Lurgan, left for home at about half-past one in the afternoon. On the main road, between Dollingstown and Marobin, his motor bicycle came in contact with a large motor lorry, belonging to a Maralin merchant, and he was thrown to the ground, one wheel of the lorry passing over his body. Mr. Sloan, national teacher, Lurgan, and his son, Dr. Sloan, had the injured man removed in their motor car to his home, where, despite all that Dr. C. J. Boucher, J.P., Donacloney, could do, he died some hours later.

Deep sympathy is felt with the Rev. Mr. Gaston and his family.

NEGLECTED PATIENT.

DOCTOR CENSURED: CALL FOR MATRON'S RESIGNATION.

After reviewing the evidence given at the recent sworn inquiry affecting the hospital attached to Cavan County Home, a letter from the Local Government Department, which was read at the last meeting of Cavan Board of Health stated that, having regard to their direct responsibility for the neglect of a patient, as shown in this case, the Minister had decided that the services of Sister Mary Lawrence, Matron, and Sister M. Brendan must be terminated. The Department requested the Board to call on these officials to resign. As regards the medical officer (Dr. R. Magauran), the inquiry had proved very serious negligence on his part; but it was doubtful whether the circumstances justified the termination of his employment, and the Department requested the views of the Board as to the manner in which he discharged his duties.

After discussion, the Health Board decided to ask the Department to sanction a change of matrons between surgical and medical hospitals, instead of insisting on the resignation of Sister M. Lawrence.

With reference to the medical officer, it was decided to caution him, and he was directed to take charge of his patients in future and see that they were properly attended to at all times, any further well-founded complaints to mean removal from office.

WESTMEATH'S OVERDRAFT.

PLAN TO COUNTER LOSS ON ROADS.

Sanction to a road scheme, the Department and the Council each to contribute £5,000, was sought by a deputation from Westmeath County Council which waited on the Ministry recently. The Minister promised to give the request serious attention.

The deputation pointed out that the £30,000 (exclusive of Government grants) spent annually on making good roads in Westmeath, was simply being thrown away at present, owing to the fact that no sooner was a road repaired than heavy lorries, containing tons of coal, cement and other stuff "smashed off the surface of the road." If the Government were not prepared to prohibit those heavy lorries from damaging the roads, the deputation added, they would ask the Ministry to allow the County Council to prepare a scheme that would bring some recompense to the ratepayers for the use of such roads, as this was one of the principal causes of the large overdraft in the bank.

The Minister assured the deputation that this matter also would be carefully considered. He would communicate with the County Council, pointing out their present powers in the matter.

EXPERIMENT IN DEMOCRACY.

TRIBUTE TO FREE STATE GOVERNMENT.

AN OUTSIDER'S VIEW.

"I look upon the Irish Free State as one of the experiments in democracy, which is being carried out to-day in very abnormal conditions," said Mr. J. M. Biggar, President of the London Association of Accountants, Ltd., in proposing the toast of the "Irish Free State and its Legislature," at the second annual dinner of the Irish Free State branch of the Association in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, last Saturday night. Senator Sir Thomas H. Grattan Esmonde, Bart., honorary president, presided, and proposed the first toast of the King, the Governor-General, and the British Commonwealth.

CHANGED TIMES.

A GREAT FUTURE OPEN.

Mr. Biggar, in proposing the toast of "The Irish Free State and its Legislature," said that Ireland was a country that was ready and open for development, and coupled with the raw material they had men of experience in legislation, like their Chairman, to guide its development. There was a time when the politicians of Ireland neglected their own country to fight its battles. They concentrated on fighting rather than on development. Times had now changed, and as a result of these strenuous efforts the country was ready for development. He thought there was a great future for development in Ireland. Both in Great Britain and Ireland they were looking to science to give them the lead in the development, which would mean the same to the industry of their relative countries that steam meant to Britain in the earlier days. Just as we in Ireland had the advantage of the wisdom of men of experience, we had the newer generation growing up with newer aspirations which required to be blended in the development of the country. He looked with reverence across the waters to Ireland, and followed as closely as he could its development.

He admired the tenacity and the capability with which the Legislature of Ireland had handled their difficulties. He thought that it was the duty of every honest and sincere man to give them honour and respect for the work that they had in hand. (Hear, hear.)

FIGHTING DAYS GONE.

The Chairman, responding, said that they were glad to have the opinion of an outsider on their country, because an outsider was not likely to tread on their corns. In this country they had not now so many family corns as they used to have, because the time of fighting had gone, and certainly would not return in the lifetime of anybody there. They had done their scrapping and squibbling, and now was the time to put their shoulder to the wheel and develop their country as far as they possibly could.

He would like to pay a tribute to the Government that they possessed. He had never hesitated to express the opinion that it was the bounden duty of every Irish citizen to support the first Irish Government that this country had had in over one hundred years. They had all supported this Government, although he noticed latterly that some people in County Dublin had got tired of supporting them. The apathy that they had seen was not a helpful or wholesome sign. Whatever one's views might be, one ought, he thought, to use one's constitutional power to record one's views as to how the country best should be governed on every possible occasion. (Applause.) He held that their Government was a very good Government, and that it deserved well of the country; but everybody, no matter how much he or she might support the existing Government, must see that it would be infinitely to the advantage of the Government if they had an alternative on whom they could fall back in the event of their being dissatisfied with the Government that they had. (Hear, hear.) He hoped that an alternative Government or a constitutional Opposition would yet be provided in this country, and until that was done they could not have any serious steps forward in the matter of their national development. The sooner that they could produce a constitutional Opposition, the sooner could they proceed to the development of their country.

ELECTION RESULTS.

Dr. James S. Ashe, proposing the toast of "The London Association of Accountants," said that the future of the State greatly depended upon what men, like the members of that association, had to do. He thoroughly agreed with Sir Thomas Esmonde that what was required here was a good Opposition. They had learned within the last forty-eight hours that something must be wrong here. They had had an election in their most important constituency, and only thirty per cent. of the people turned out to record their votes. He had, he added, never altered his convictions that they should keep in, to the best of their possible ability, with their best customers—Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Their friendship with Great Britain and Northern Ireland was a thing that they must cultivate, and in the next general election possibly the issue would be Free Trade and Protection. He thought that was possible.

Responding, Mr. Biggar said that accountancy was absolutely necessary to the success of business. As industry developed it would find the increasing assistance of the profession of accountancy. His association was anxious that that development should continue. They were particularly anxious that the Free State branch should develop to a degree equal to the development that they had on the other side. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. C. Latham, Secretary of the Association, said that they were trying to adjust its policy and its curriculum so as to be in harmony with the progress of modern industry and commerce.

Mr. J. T. Wallace, proposing the toast of "The Legal and Kindred Professions," said that they, accountants, could not live without them and their co-operation in business.

Mr. Sheridan, solicitor, responding, said that the future before the profession of accountancy in this country was a bright one. Their experience and guidance would be essential in their existing enterprises and in their efforts to create new industries.

Mr. J. Lawton, who proposed the toast of "The Honorary President of the Branch," said that every accountant in the Free State was deeply indebted to the Honorary President for the work that he had accomplished at the Special Committee of the Senate on the Statistics Bill during the past week.

Sir Thomas G. Esmonde, responding, repeated his appreciation of the action of President Cosgrave in dealing with a delicate situation. President Cosgrave's broadminded treatment would now enable them to carry on their businesses happily and confidently.

NORTH AND SOUTH.

Mr. W. P. Pearson, proposing "The Health of the Northern Branch of the Association," said that the co-operation that existed between that branch and the Southern branch of the association augured well for the future of the association.

Captain Adams, replying, said that a community of interests united the members of the profession of accountancy, to which he had the honour to belong, and that community of interests applied both to the Free State and to Northern Ireland, and placed the accountant definitely as a member of a single body, irrespective of political division. The centralisation of the profession, similar to that of the legal profession, would mean a great deal, indeed, to the State. He did not think that there was any hope of political union between the North and South within the present generation, but economic unity was possible in the community of interests that he had referred to.

Responding, Mr. Lawton, President of the Irish Free State Branch, responded to the toast of "The Irish Free State Branch of the Association."

The health of the local secretary, Mr. P. Deey, was also enthusiastically drunk.

The income of Adelaide Road Church, Dublin, during the past year, as shown in the report submitted to the annual meeting last Friday, was £3,200, which included almost £800 for missions, £235 for Sustentation, and £130 for the Dublin Hospital Sunday Fund. The report was adopted on the motion of Mr. T. M. Batchen, seconded by Mr. J. Mallagh. The Rev. R. Lee Cole and the Rev. J. S. Crockett congratulated the congregation on the work of the year and the Rev. R. K. Hanna, the minister who presided at the meeting, on his nomination for the Moderatorship of the General Assembly.

BOYS DO BETTER.

CULTURAL SUBJECTS IN THE SCHOOLS.

In a report on the working of the Secondary Education Branch of the Free State Department of Education it is stated that the number of schools which consented to inspection under the Department's rules during the year 1923-24 was 281, an increase of six over the previous school year. None of the schools failed to satisfy the Board's rules, and all were, therefore, eligible to share in the school grant; but six schools were refused recognition under the rules relating to the additional Parliamentary grant.

At the 281 schools inspected there were 13,650 boys and 8,506 girls, and of these 7,006 boys and 4,263 girls were examined in 1924.

There had been a falling-off in the number of students offering themselves for the examinations during the past ten years. In 1915 the total of boys and girls was 6,538, and in 1924 the number had fallen to 5,262. It is interesting to note that the boys did rather better than the girls in the examinations. The percentage of passes for boys was 53.7 and for girls 52.8.

CULTURAL SUBJECTS.

In the report is published a table, which indicates to some extent the attention which is being given in the schools to what may be called cultural subjects. In the Junior Grade 412 boys presented themselves for examination in Greek, 2,270 in Latin, and 2,972 in Irish. The results were, taking the total percentage passed—Greek, 75.7; Latin, 79.9; Irish, 72.4.

Middle Grade boys showed a percentage of passes in Greek (280 examined) of 82.5. In Latin 1,225 were examined, and 66.2 per cent. passed, while out of 1,553 examined in Irish 80.4 per cent. passed.

The total results in all grades (boys) are also interesting. Out of 882 who presented themselves for examination in Greek 79.9 passed. Out of 4,150 in Latin 75.7 per cent. obtained the necessary certificates. In Irish 5,354 were examined, and 75.3 per cent. passed. The results of the examinations in French were fairly good, 57.7 per cent. of 1,463 boys examined passing. There was not a single entry in Spanish, but, curiously enough, the two entries in Italian passed.

In modern languages the boys did well. There were 23 boys examined in German, and of these 82.6 per cent. got through.

WHERE GIRLS FAILED.

Two girls were examined in Greek, and both passed. In Latin 466 were examined, and 72.9 per cent. were given certificates. Out of a total of 3,118 examined in French 72.9 per cent. passed, and of 148 in German 83.1 per cent. got through the examination. Of the girls 3,071 were examined in Irish and 76.9 per cent. passed.

The girls, however, were not strong in mathematics. In trigonometry 102 were examined, but only 36.3 per cent. passed, while in applied mathematics neither of the two girls examined passed the tests. The comparative failure of the girls in mathematics was somewhat compensated by their high percentage of passes in domestic economy. Here 693 students were examined and 89.6 per cent. got certificates.

DUBLIN SPRING SHOW.

IMPROVED TRAVELLING FACILITIES.

At a meeting of the Committee of Agriculture, Royal Dublin Society, at Ballsbridge last week, the Director reported the result of his interview with the commercial manager of the Great Southern Railways (Mr. Elliott) on the subject of improved travelling facilities and excursion arrangements for the Spring Show. The following special privileges were agreed to be granted:—

(a) Cheap excursions to Dublin from all stations over 20 miles (previously 25 miles), to be available on the Thursday of the Show, in addition to the day before and the first day of the Show (Tuesday and Wednesday). These tickets will entitle holders to return up to, and including, the Monday following the Show.

(b) Special day excursion tickets to be issued from stations over 15 miles and not exceeding 80 miles (instead of over 25 miles, as heretofore).

(c) An entirely new feature—The provision of several long-distance day special excursion trains, to be known as "R.D.S. Specials," to be run on the Friday and return same day.

The Director also reported his conference with the Education Commissioners regarding the visit of scholars to the Spring Show, and outlined the proposed essay competition, which was approved. The Commissioners indicated that the project would have their warm support and co-operation on account of its great educational character in the agricultural life of the country. All scholars visiting the Show under this scheme will be granted a day's attendance at their respective schools.

The judges for the jumping competitions at the Spring Show were appointed.

The annual report of the Committee on the agricultural activities of the Society for the past year, as submitted by the Director, was considered most satisfactory in all ways, and a special vote of thanks was accorded to the Director and his staff for their achievements in this connection.

CHARGE OF BURNING A HOUSE.

KERRY FARMER REMANDED.

At Tralee on Saturday before District Justice Johnson, Patrick Daly, a farmer, was remanded on bail of £500 and two sureties of £250 each on a charge of having on December 16 burned his dwelling-house and farm building at Knockanish, near Tralee, and of attempting to defraud the Kerry County Council and the New Ireland Insurance Company.

Evidence was given by Sergeant Kirwin, Detective Department; by Inspector O'Reilly and others, that while they were trying to cut the roof of the burning dwelling-house to save the accused man's hay the owner was standing in front of it with folded arms, smoking his pipe. Many articles of furniture, clothing, cutlery and jewellery, for which compensation was awarded by Judge McElligott, were discovered afterwards by the police. A set of carpenter's tools was found in a milk churn covered with bran, cut glass decanters were found in an old disused fire-stove, and a pair of gold earrings in a Beecham's pill box.

The District Justice, in complimenting Sergeant Kirwin and the police, referred to their patience when they saw Daly smoking while they were trying to save his house. They had heard that Nero fiddled while Rome burned, but not his most inveterate critic ever accused Nero of fogging his "dudeen"—a remark which called forth much merriment.

"DEAR BRUTUS" AT THE ABBEY THEATRE.

Despite the poor quality of the acting in Sir J. M. Barrie's delightful fantasy, "Dear Brutus," which was presented at the Abbey Theatre last evening by Mrs. May Carey's company, a crowded house came away pleased with the play. This, however, cannot be put down to the credit of the cast, except in two or three notable instances, but to the inherent beauty of Barrie's writing. Let it be said, at least, that the company, within its limits, made the best of it.

"Dear Brutus" is a difficult play, and when one has seen Sir Gerald Du Maurier in the part of Dearth, the "might have been," one is apt to set high standards. Still, William Denis gave a fine interpretation of the drunken artist, and later in the wood scene, with his daughter Margaret (Miss Shelah Richards), achieved really first-rate acting. Fresh from her success as Mrs. Clitheroe in "The Plough and the Stars," Shelah Richards was a winsome Margaret, whose vivacity and freedom from artificiality made an eloquent appeal. Indeed, without Mr. Denis and Miss Richards the play would have been an extremely poor production.

A great deal of credit is due to Mrs. Carey and the entire company for giving us a Barrie play; we see all too few of them, and but for an annual visit of a second or third-rate "Peter Pan" company Dubliners would never see one at all.

As Lob, Wilson Sherrard was good, while May Carey as Mrs. Dearth and Meriel Moore as Lady Caroline Laney filled their parts adequately.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

ESTIMATES INCREASED BY £70,000.

BAD ROADS AND "POSH" MOTOR CARS.

Revolutionary changes in the system of county administration in pursuance of the economy policy of the Farmers' Party in the Galway County Council were suggested at a special meeting of the Council on Saturday to deal with the estimates.

At the outset the Secretary read resolutions passed by the Galway Farmers' Association calling on the Council, in the interest of economy, to dispense with either assistant surveyors or supervising gangers, and urging the Council to represent to the Government the necessity of making the maintenance of main roads a national instead of a local charge.

The Secretary, in reply to Mr. McKeigue, said that last year's estimate amounted to £270,000, and this year's was £350,000, an increase of over £70,000.

The Chairman (Mr. M. Egan) said that the whole system of road transport had changed within the past twelve or fourteen years. Motor car owners from other counties used their roads and tore them up. He thought that it was unfair to ask the ratepayers any longer to maintain the main roads. Their maintenance should be a national charge.

Mr. Corbett supported this view. He said that it was outrageous that people of poverty-stricken areas should be obliged to maintain the main roads to accommodate the men with "posh" motor cars.

Mr. Crowe also agreed that the maintenance of the main roads should be a national charge. He said that road transport to-day in the County Galway was not local, and it was unfair that the ratepayers of the county should have to pay for the damage done to the roads.

CRUSHING BURDEN.

The Chairman said that the only practical way to get the Government to nationalise the roads was to refuse to strike a rate for road maintenance purposes. It was the biggest item in their budget, and was a crushing burden on the ratepayers.

Mr. Ronaldson—Do you propose that we refuse to strike a rate?

Chairman—I would do so if I thought that the Council would support me, and it would be the proper way to lessen the rate for the coming year.

Mr. MacNeill said that to refuse to strike a rate for road maintenance purposes was to ask the Government to send down a Commissioner to do the Council's work.

Mr. Kennedy, County Surveyor, pointed out that the difficulty that confronted the Council was that it had already entered into contracts for the maintenance of hundreds of miles of roads.

The Secretary pointed out that, the road scheme having already been passed, the Council was precluded from interfering with it.

Mr. Ronaldson—Then everything that has been said is so much hot wind. According to the Secretary, our hands are tied. We come here at considerable trouble and expense to try and cut down the estimates, and now we find that we have no power.

The Chairman said that the object of adjourning the consideration of the estimates at the last meeting was to allow for the publication of the discussions on the estimates in the Press, so that the ratepayers would know exactly the position of affairs.

Mr. Ronaldson—Then there was no purpose in coming here to-day. The sole object apparently is to blow our own horns, while the Press is present. If that is the idea, the sooner we depart from this meeting the better.

Mr. Hallinan—It seems, then, that this is a "gas" meeting. (Laughter.) Is that so?

Secretary—Well, if I may answer, it is all "gas."

Mr. Corbett and other members rose from their seats to leave the room, the former remarking, with some heat, that he did not come there to supply "copy" for the Press. He was there to try and assist to reduce the estimate.

The Chairman appealed to the members for a dispassionate consideration of a very important matter affecting all the ratepayers of the county. He did not agree with the Secretary's reading of the law, that the Council had no right to make reductions in the estimate. Were it not for the fact that contracts had been entered into he would propose that the Council drop the estimate for the making of the main roads and let the Government carry out this work.

THE FARMERS' PROPOSALS.

Mr. Ronaldson said that although he was not a member of the Farmers' Union, he agreed with most of the recommendations of that body. According to the turn that events had taken that day the members of the Council were nonentities who could do nothing. That being the case, the sooner the Government sent down a Commissioner the better. Probably the Government had a pet of their own and would be glad to send him down, but, added Mr. Ronaldson, I will not go home to the people who sent me here and tell them that I blindly agreed to an increase in the rates of 2s. 6d. in the £, which, I believe in my heart, will never be paid. The country is almost bankrupt.

Mr. Kennedy said that he believed that the Council had ample power to reduce the estimate.

In reply to Mr. Nestor, the Secretary said that the road estimate last year was £67,549 and this year it was £83,367, an increase of over £15,000, but the urban main roads were included this year.

Mr. Hallinan said that it was much better that they had inferior roads or no roads than to see the people starving.

On the proposition of Mr. Finnerty, seconded by Mr. Nestor, it was decided to reduce the estimate for road expenditure by 2d. in the £ and the general county services by a halfpenny.

On the proposition of Mr. McNeill, the estimate, as amended, was adopted.

The meeting decided to strike a rate not exceeding a farthing in the £ for tourist development purposes.

GERMAN ORGAN MUSIC.

DR. SMITH'S LECTURE.

The February meeting of the Leinster Society of Organists and Choir Masters took place on Saturday night in the Organ Room of the Royal Irish Academy of Music.

Dr. H. G. Smith read a paper on the "German School of Organ Music," in the course of which he gave an outline of the development of organ music and organ-building in Germany, and showed how much the world is indebted to that nation, not only in the sphere of organ composition, but in that of music generally. Interesting references were made to the individual organ composers, whose efforts culminated in the genius and skill of the great Sebastian Bach, whose position in relation to subsequent composers has been likened to that of Spenser in relation to the poets of after ages.

Dr. Smith also described the gradual falling off in the German school of organ music since Bach's time, and the promising rise of an English school in more modern years. The great influence of the choral prelude in organ composition was discussed, as illustrated in the works of Bach, Regar, Karg-Elert and others. Special reference was also made to the steady rise of Rheinberger's work—especially his twenty organ sonatas—in public esteem.

Illustrations of Dr. Smith's paper were played on the Academy organ by Messrs. G. Harrison and F. Thompson, Mr. Harrison contributing Rheinberger's Pastoral Sonata for organ, and Mr. Thompson Mendelssohn's Second Organ Sonata and Schneider's Fantasia in C Major.

In the unavoidable absence of the president (Dr. W. H. Gater) the chair was taken by Mr. V. J. Fielding.

DUBLIN S.P.C.A.

At the last meeting of the Committee of the Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Incorporated) Mr. F. S. Roberts presided, and there were also present—Miss Hillas, Mrs. Darley, Miss Tuckey. Eleven new cases and five convictions were reported. The following subscriptions were received:—Mrs. Douglas Hyde, £1; Miss R. H. Shackleton, 5s.; Miss Cantley, 5s.; Miss Matthews, 10s.

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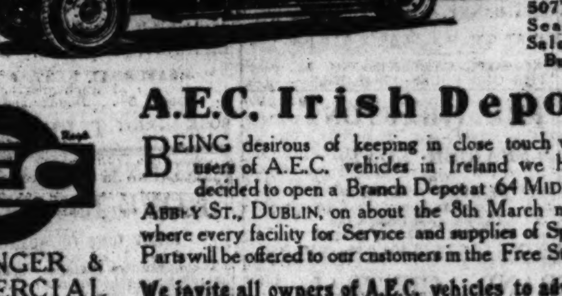
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SUITABILITY OF THE SOIL.

The suitability of Irish soil for beet growing was referred to by Mr. M. Smeyers, Agricultural Engineer to the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company, Ltd., Carlow, at a meeting of South Kilkenny farmers held in Brownstown. The majority of the farmers present signed a contract to grow a certain number of acres each.

Rev. Father Henessey, who presided, said that they had lost a good deal of their cattle, butter and bacon trade through the competition of other countries, and if Ireland was to succeed they should find other sources and other opportunities for furthering its prosperity. If they could make the beet growing industry a success, it would be a great advantage, and it would keep at home much of the money that they were spending in sugar from outside.

In the course of his lecture, Mr. Smeyers said that the soil of Ireland, and of the County Kilkenny in particular, was quite suitable for the growing of sugar beet, as had been sufficiently proved by the experiments carried out on a large scale by the Department of Agriculture in Ireland during the years 1911, 1912, 1913 and 1925. The average yield per Irish acre for these four years was sixteen tons of roots, with an average sugar content of 17.5, which was nearly as high as the average yield in the Continental countries, where they had more than sixty years' experience.

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CRUSHING RATES.

DONEGAL CALL FOR BIG REDUCTION.

A strike against rates until a fair rate was struck by the County Council was one of the proposals placed before an overflow meeting of ratepayers, comprising farmers, merchants and labourers, in the Town Hall, Castlefin, Co. Donegal. It was the suggestion of Mr. R. Morland.

Other speakers suggested that the rates question would be best dealt with by a Commissioner, who would be a business man and would understand the needs of the county and would be in a position to study the question. Their interests were not served, these speakers averred, by members of the Council deciding the matter when it came on the agenda for the first time, without giving the subject full thought and consideration.

Mr. John Laird, who represented Labour, said that when first he went into occupation of a labourer's cottage his rates were 2s. 6d.; now they were six times that amount.

It was pointed out that in certain areas a number of people had not paid their rates for some years, and it was suggested that no rates should be paid until such arrears were collected by the County Council. It was also urged that the Land Commission, in failing to collect their purchase annuities, indirectly caused a good deal of the deficit of grants, which otherwise would be for the benefit of the ratepayers.

After the meeting had been addressed by Dr. J. W. Weir, dispensary medical officer, Ballindrait, a resolution was passed unanimously protesting against the exceedingly heavy rates which the people had to pay for the past twelve months, out of all proportion to the prices received for farm produce. The Council would be informed that, owing to the serious depression affecting agriculture and trade, the people were absolutely unable to pay anything like last year's rates. They must have a very substantial reduction this year; otherwise it would be quite impossible for them to meet the rate collectors, and the outstanding amount of rates would be greatly increased if relief to a very substantial amount were not provided for. In that event they must insist on the Council being dissolved and the affairs of the county placed in the hands of a Commissioner.

A deputation was appointed to interview the County Council.

Postal Official Promoted.—Mr. James O'Neill, telegraphist, Gorey Post Office for past three years, has been promoted to the Accountant-General's Office, G.P.O. He was entertained by his colleagues prior to his departure from the town.

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A Reuter Melbourne telegram of yesterday's date states that an Australian cyclist, Hubert Opperman, to-day covered 10 miles in 9 minutes 30 seconds, motor paced. This is stated to have reduced the world's record by 23 3-5 seconds. Over one lap Opperman attained a speed of 65 miles an hour.

The Irish Times.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1926.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The air search for survivors of the Cardigan Castle is to be continued to-day.—(Page 7.)

The Government candidate was returned in the by-election in King's and Queen's Counties.—(Page 7.)

On Saturday evening a young man named James Irwin was shot dead near Dungannon by the accidental discharge of a gun.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Food Council's report, which was issued in London on Saturday, makes drastic recommendations for the prevention of short weight and short measure, which, it is suggested, should be made a statutory offence.—(Page 8.)

SPORTING.

At Park avenue, Sandymount, on Saturday, Wales defeated Ireland at hockey by 4 goals to 3.—(Page 10.)

At Leopardstown on Saturday Grave Fairy won the Newtown Hurdle Race, Eager Hen the Dun Laoghaire Hurdle Race, Kildarra Boy the Carrickmines Hurdle Race, Watch Park the Silverpark Steeplechase, Tiranogue the Bray Steeplechase, and Kanowna the Stewards' Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

At Hurst Park Halberdier won the New Century Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

Loanable credits were in ample supply in Lombard street on Saturday, and borrowers till Monday were accommodated at 3½-3 per cent. Discount rates were easy. French francs fell to the new low record of 137 to the £.—(Page 4.)

The Middle East.

Two important events in connection with the political situation in the Middle East have taken place during the last few days. A Franco-Turkish agreement has been signed at Angora; and the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations has met in Rome to hear the French report on Syria for the year 1925. Little is known of the terms of the new pact between France and Turkey. M. de Jouvenel, High Commissioner for Syria, has conducted the negotiations in person, and so far only a draft copy of the agreement has been received at the Quai d'Orsay. It is understood in Paris, however, that the main object of the pact is to delimit the frontier between Syria and Turkey. The Turks have been intriguing for several months with the object of acquiring certain portions of their former territory in the North of Syria, and have been pressing France to grant autonomy to the districts of Alexandretta and Antioch. The geographical position of these places would be of the greatest importance in the possible event of trouble between Britain and the Turks concerning Mosul; and, as France and Britain still are Allies, the wily politicians of Angora are anxious not only to secure the release of the two vilayets from French suzerainty, but also to get a grip on that portion of the Bagdad railway which runs along the Northern frontier of Syria. The Paris Press declares that no territory has been renounced by M. de Jouvenel, and that the railway will continue to remain under French control. It lays stress on the fact that France may be required to mediate between Turkey and Britain on the issue of Mosul's future, and gives a categorical denial to the suggestion that M. de Jouvenel has done anything that would be in the least likely to tie her hands.

France, of course, has her own reasons for wishing to remain on good terms with the Turks. Her position in Syria at the moment is extremely difficult. In the report which has been presented to the Mandates Commission at Rome the French authorities make no secret of the fact that, while M. de Jouvenel has made excellent progress with his policy of conciliation in other parts of the mandated territory, he has failed completely to win over the Jebel Druses. They declare that the rebels will not be persuaded to lay down their arms "without a great show of force," adding that "the Military Commander will use his own discretion when an opportune moment arrives." There is an ominous ring about this phrase; for a military peace will be almost as difficult to achieve in Syria as it has proved to be in Morocco. The Jebel Druses are determined men. They still are very bitter as a result of the bombardment of Damascus by French artillery, and will not be appeased by the report to the Mandates Commission, which not only justifies this act as having been "necessary to prevent the over-running of the Lebanon by the rebels," but pays a high tribute to General Sarrail, whose conduct in Syria forced his home Government to recall him and to replace him by a civilian. Our Correspondent in Rome tells us that, while there is a good deal of private criticism of the French report among the members of the Mandates Commission, it probably will be accepted without protest. In that event, of course, the French representatives in Syria will have the authority of the League of Nations for any steps which they may think it necessary to take for the restoration of order in the mandated territory.

The whole Moslem world sympathises strongly with the Druses, although these curious people have a religion of their own which is only partly Mohammedan. The Syrians, who are Moslems of the most orthodox type, declare that the Druses are fighting the battle of Islam, and in Palestine, Iraq, Morocco, and even Egypt the liveliest interest is being taken in M. de Jouvenel's attempts to secure Syrian peace. At the moment Iraq is perfectly quiet. The Mesopotamians have settled down to peaceful life under the British mandate, and at present their one dread is that, by any mischance, the Turks might succeed in their designs on Mosul. If there should be a general "flare up" in Syria, however, British interests almost certainly would become involved at an early stage of the proceedings. Syria is wedged in between the frontiers of Iraq and Palestine, and the preservation of complete neutrality would be an exceedingly difficult matter, especially as the Turks probably would seize the chance of attacking the British in Mosul. It is high time that a complete understanding should be reached between Britain and France in regard to Middle Eastern policy. Hitherto, while the two nations officially have been working in double harness, the French have been leaning unmistakably towards Turkey at a time when the relations between London and Angora have been distinctly cool. Ever since M. Franklin-Bouillon went to Angora, when the Chanak trouble was developing, there has been a marked lack of co-ordination between French and British policy in the Middle East. Both countries would benefit considerably through a frank interchange of views on the several problems that are outstanding in that part of the world.

Coasts in Peril.

This tempestuous winter has wrought havoc upon our shores. In many places the work of many years in building up coastal protective works has been undone by a single storm. Everywhere large expenditure will be necessary in repairing sea walls, breakwaters, groynes. Our Special Correspondent describes to-day a portion of the Munster coast which has suffered to an extreme degree and stands in growing peril. Youghal is one of the most beautiful and most romantic of our seaport towns. It has an ancient history and was a place of considerable importance down to quite modern times. There Sir Walter Raleigh built that Elizabethan timbered house which is the only structure of its sort in Ireland; there he planted the first potatoes grown in the Old World, and there he started the growing of tobacco, giving rise to the Munster folk's Gaelic proverb describing a haughty person: "He would make you think that it was he that brought tobacco to Ireland." To-day Youghal no longer is a port for large traffic overseas. Only small fishing boats shelter in its haven. Sea-going vessels are forbidden the shelter of Youghal by a hidden bar of sand that has been built up by the conflicting waters of the ocean and the Blackwater, since the ocean, in historic times, broke back the coast between Knockadoon and Ardmore. Eastward, along the Waterford coast, erosion proceeds apace. A shingle bank which formerly protected the coast of Ardmore Bay was washed away during the last century disclosing a bank of turf in which were planted relics of an ancient *crannóg*—a timber water-village, such as survived in common use in Ireland down to the seventeenth century, and evidence that at one time there was human habitation where now the sea washes. The old road which ran along the shore a century ago has been beaten back. A school and houses have disappeared. Many acres of land have been lost; and still the eating away of the fabric of the land continues. Nearer to Youghal old-time protective works have suffered, and the sea is eating its way inland at the extremities. There is cultivated land lying actually at a lower level than the altitude reached by the sea in times of high tempest upon the threatened shingle bar. Youghal, however, is but an acute example of the dangers that involve many an historic spot around our shores, and serves to bring home to realisation the neglect of protective action and of works of reclamation, which ought to mark a nation gifted with foresight, industry and economic wisdom.

Short Weight.

The British Food Council has issued a report which will cause consternation among "profiteers." The Council, set up by the British Government for the protection of the public, has done much good work in exposing unduly high prices for the necessaries of life. Bread, perhaps, would be as dear in England to-day as it is in Dublin but for the Council's activities. Prices, however, represent only one aspect of the problem of checking the extortions of middlemen. The public is mulcted as much in short weight as in high charges; and now the Council has propounded means for the protection of the consumer on this score also. It is recommended that the giving of short weight or measure, and misrepresentation of the quantities sold shall be made punishable offences. The Council advises, moreover, that jam, meat and cereals shall be sold only by net weight, and that standard wrappings shall be introduced in order to do away with the present wasteful and deceptive methods of selling goods in indeterminate quantities and fashions. Standardisation—the Council suggests—should be arranged by agreement among traders rather than imposed by law. No doubt, the members of the Council, in making this recommendation, had in mind the benefits which standardisation has conferred upon America, where the elimination of petty haggling at the shop counter has effected an immense national saving. Standardisation would protect the consumer and benefit the dealer, yielding an economy that would compensate richly for the loss of dishonest gains. We do not doubt that Mr. Stanley Baldwin's Government will adopt early legislation on lines similar to those proposed by the Food Council, and we hope that the Prices Commission of the Irish Free State will come speedily to conclusions as far-reaching and as thorough. "Profiteering" by short weight is rampant throughout Ireland, and this tells on the people of the *Saorstát* even more than inflated prices.

Sangre y Arena.

One of the most successful Spanish bull-fighters of our time, Rafael Baeza, better known by his sporting name of Litri, has died in a nursing home at Málaga, says the Madrid Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*. When King Alfonso visited Málaga recently on the occasion of festivities in honour of Spain's Moorish troops, Litri gave a performance at a *corrida de toros*, and received grave injuries in the arena. A Scottish surgeon, assisted by two Spanish doctors, amputated the wounded leg, but all in vain. Litri has succumbed—killed to make a Spanish holiday. It is thought that his death will hasten the passing of the bull fight, already in decline through lack of fine exponents, and losing popularity through the hold upon the public favour established by football. Bull-fighting, moreover, is losing *prestige* now that Spain is being drawn from her centuries of self-absorption and is beginning to interest herself in world affairs. Economic and intellectual progress has excited in Spanish minds a realisation of the fact that in the larger world bull-fighting is one of those things which, in the useful colloquialism, "is not done." Recent efforts in a time of demoralisation to establish bull-fighting in France excited an indignation which was not lost upon observers on the other side of the Pyrenees. The Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* further reports that Gaona, another noted bull-fighter of the times, has cut off the professional pigtail and announced his retirement, declaring that he cannot endure any longer the sight of the wounded horses and their piteous destruction behind the scenes. The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is making efforts to secure some form of protection for the horses which are made to suffer to glut the cruelty of spectators; but only by the total abolition of the whole barbarous sport will Spain rid herself of shame.

MELBA'S FAREWELL.

THEATRE ROYAL CONCERT.

Melba's farewell was in keeping with the dignity of her deportment throughout a long career as *prima donna* and concert singer. She has not pretended a farewell before, and when she says that her present tour is her last, we believe her; for she always has been "straight" with her public. (She has seen to it, for example, that her concerts were of good musical quality throughout, and not cheap settings for her own brilliance.) One feels that she means that, as definitely as she meant the audience at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, last Saturday to understand that her concert was at an end when she finished her little speech. With anybody else the audience might have persisted in clamours for more singing, but Melba has always been able to show firmness.

Saturday's audience may have included some former members of the old Corinthian Club, who will remember the banquet given to Melba some years ago. The diners assembled on that occasion had expected confidently that their guest would acknowledge their toast with song; but Melba said "No," and not even the wiles of Sir Charles Cameron changed her resolution. That must have meant firmness, when it is remembered that on a famous occasion Sir Charles Cameron obtained a kiss from some hundred ladies at a Corinthian Club dinner, starting with the wife of the Lord Lieutenant of the day.

But to Melba and her farewell concert. Few seats in the theatre were vacant when Mr. Lionel Tertis, acknowledged master of the viola, opened the concert, in company with Mr. Harold Craxton, the pianist, with a sonata of Mozart's old mentor, Padre Martini. A pleasing and undemonstrative tenor singer, Mr. A. Hackett-Granville, followed with an aria by Donizetti. Mr. Tertis re-appeared to play more old-time music well suited to his instrument, which is the nearest representative of the old viol, original of the fiddle family. That concluded, there was hardly a moment's pause before Melba tripped on to the stage. Picturing her in advance, one had forgotten to make allowance for the fact that she could not have been expected to linger in the fashions of twenty years ago. Everybody must have been in the same case in that respect; for she was at the centre of the stage and bowing already before the audience as a whole said to itself, "Why, this is Melba," and broke into applause of welcome. Change of form and address made her look smaller than the figure that had stayed in memory. Black and gold, with touches of fur, were the notes of her dress, and her black hair, of course, was close instead of piled, as in the old photographs that preserved our memory of her.

Melba sang, first, the aria "L'Amero," from Mozart's operetta, "Il Re Pastore," a smooth-flowing melody enhanced by viola obligato. It served to remind the audience of one of Melba's special qualities—the richness of her lower tones in a degree seldom found in singers who develop, as she did, a brilliance in *coloratura* in an extended upper register. This combination of warmth with brilliance, and ease of passage from one register to another, were the qualities that made men wonder at her singing forty years ago and ever since. For *encore* she sang "Magdalen at Michael's Gate" (Liza Lehmann) with perfectly clear enunciation.

Only a group of little sixteenth century pieces played on the pianoforte by Mr. Craxton interposed before Melba's next appearance. Here her songs were three French songs—"Chanson triste" (Duparc), "Clair de lune" (Szulc), and "Papillons" (Chausson)—and (by request) the "Preghiera," from Verdi's "Otello." The last was as typical a piece of Melba's singing as one could wish to hear, though she was already her old self in another mood in Arditi's "Le saran rose," a song that recalled memories of her former concerts here. That was her second *encore* song at this stage, the first having been one of the negro spirituals now popular—"Luring low, sweet chariot."

Mr. Hackett-Granville sang love-songs mellowly, and Mr. Tertis came back, delighting especially with his own "Sunset," a charming muted air, and an Irish air, this also in his own arrangement.

Last, we came to the real farewell. For her last appearance Melba had chosen songs that have been associated with her name for many years by English-speaking audiences—"Down in the Forest" and Scott's "Good-bye." Excessive repetition of these has led her to some exaggeration of obvious effect; but how could anyone preserve a sense of genuineness in things so stale in the repertory? She finished her singing with a song still older—"Home, sweet home," playing, as usual, her own accompaniment. That was understood to mean "Finis," but the audience had yet to hear her spoken words of farewell.

She had made up her mind, she said, to finish her career; nothing would alter her decision; they had heard her sing for the last time in Dublin. She appreciated the "perfectly wonderful enthusiasm" of her Irish audiences, and she assured us that she had always had a very soft spot in her heart for Ireland.

She acknowledged a parting round of applause, and was gone. For half an hour afterwards old enthusiasts and young autograph-hunters were at the stage-door of the theatre. Then, finally, a Dublin that has always taken special interest in the leaders of opera-singing, lost sight of one for whom they, in company with musical people the world over, have had a great regard. There had been signs during the performance that Melba was wise to close her singing career; but, on the whole, she was still more worthy of a hearing than almost any other singer of to-day, and that she can sing thus at sixty years of age is proof of the soundness of her training and method.

She thinks, it appeared from her speech, of returning to Australia, whence she came to dazzle Europe forty years ago. A. W. G.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—An anti-cyclone extends across Europe from Switzerland to Scandinavia. A depression is centred west of Scotland, and a secondary trough associated with it is moving quickly north across the northern part of the British Isles.

Ireland. — Wind south-west, strong at times; sky varying from nearly clear to overcast; occasional showers in most places; visibility good; mild.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland. — Wind between south-west and west, strong at times; fair to cloudy; occasional local showers; visibility mainly good; sea rough.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel; N.W. Seaboard.—Wind southerly, strong to high at times; fair to dull; occasional showers; visibility good; sea rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall Barometers and Thermometers. 12 Suffolk Street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT.

Feb.	Bar.	Thermometer: Temp. 10 p.m.	Max.	Min.	Grass Min.	Wind.	Rain. m.m.	Sun hours
14	29.636	54.8	57	43	39	S.E.	0.6	—
15	29.702	46.0	53	40	46	S.W.	1.5	6.7
16	29.538	38.0	47	38	35	W.	3.9	6.2
17	29.286	38.5	44	36	31	S.W.	1.3	—
18	29.634	50.0	49	36	30	W.	0.3	1.2
19	29.850	54.3	55	49	42	S.W.	2.1	—
20	29.904	47.5	55	49	45	S.E.	Trace	—

SUN.
To-day....Rises .. 7.31 Sets 5.48
To-morrow.. " ... 7.28 " 5.50
Lighting-up Time 6.48

HIGH WATER—DUBLIN.
To-day....Morning 7.40 Afternoon 8.18
To-morrow.. " ... 8.54 " 9.26

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Prince of Wales spent the week-end at Craven Lodge, Melton Mowbray, where Prince Henry arrived last Friday evening, and was out hunting on Saturday. The final match in the Prince of Wales's Commemoration Polo Tournament was played at Delhi last Friday, and resulted in a brilliant victory (11 goals to 6) for the Indian Army team—Major Atkinson, Major Williams, Captain Dening, and Captain George. Their opponents included three of the Indian "Tigers," who visited England in 1924. The Prince's trophies were presented to the winners by the Viceroy, the Earl of Reading.

On Saturday afternoon the new Civil Service Sports Ground at Chiswick was opened by the Duke of York in the presence of a large gathering, which included the King, attended by several members of the Royal Household. The new road leading to the embankment promenade, for which the Duke of Devonshire gave the land, was also opened by the Duke, who received an ovation from the crowds.

The Princess Royal is in residence at 15 Portman square, London, where she celebrated her birthday last Saturday, and received visits from the King and Queen, Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, and other members of the Royal Family. Lord Carnegie and Lady Maud Carnegie are still in Wales, but will return to London this week.

The Duke of Norfolk and his sisters, Lady Katherine and Lady Winifride Howard, have returned to Norfolk House, London. The Marquis and Marchioness of Hartington, who have been fishing on the Blackwater, have returned to London from Careysville House, Lismore. Viscountess Massereene and Ferrard has returned to London from Paris. Lady Dorothea Ruggles-Brise, who has been staying at Pontresina, returned to London last week. Admiral Sir Charles and Lady Madden are making a short stay in London.

Lord and Lady O'Hagan have left for Gibraltar to visit the Governor of Gibraltar and the Hon. Lady Munro. Other passengers travelling by the same steamer included Lady Marjorie Erskine, the Hon. James and Lady Rachel Stuart, the Hon. Edward Strachey, the Hon. Lady Harvey, Admiral Sir H. and Lady Grant, Sir William Hicking and Sir Rustan and Lady Vakil. The Earl and Countess of Denbigh will leave this week for a trip to Spain and the South of France, and will not return till Easter. Lord Farrer, the Hon. Mrs. John Gilmour and Sir Hildred Carlile have left for the South of France. Colonel and the Hon. Mrs. Skeffington-Smyth have sailed for the Canary Islands and will not return to Stockton House, Wiltshire, for about two months.

The Earl of Birkenhead is now quite convalescent. Lady Decies continues to progress satisfactorily towards recovery. Sir James Crichton-Browne is making a good recovery from his recent illness

Among interesting appointments announced last Saturday is that of Lord Lee of Fareham to be a Trustee of the National Gallery, London, in succession to the late Lord Carmichael. Lord Lee, who is well on the right side of sixty, has a fine record of military, diplomatic and Government service. He retired from the Royal Artillery in 1901, and two years later became Civil Lord of the Admiralty. He rejoined the Army in the first year of the European war, and was mentioned in despatches and received several decorations. In 1918 he was created Baron Lee of Fareham, and four years later he was advanced to a Viscountcy. In 1920 he and his wife, who is a daughter of the late Mr. J. Godfrey Moore, of New York, presented their beautiful country seat, Chequers, Buckinghamshire, to the nation as an official country residence for British Prime Ministers.

Last Saturday proved unexpectedly fine and balmy, and quite a large company assembled at Leopardstown for the races, which provided good sport. Among those present were Viscountess Powerscourt and party, the Hon. Mrs. George Stopford, Miss Stopford, and Miss Grattan Esmonde, the Hon. Mrs. Dewhurst, Sir Walter and Lady Nugent, General Sir Bryan and Lady Mahon, Mrs. Croft, General and Mrs. Waldron, Mr. Maxwell Arnott, Mr. and Mrs. A. McCann, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Fitzpatrick Mr. and Mrs. Moreton Jackson, and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hartigan.

A beautiful collection of New Spring Coats is being shown by Switzer and Co. at most moderate prices. They are also agents for the Featherweight "Mattamac" Waterproof, priced at 33s. 6d., and guaranteed for two years.

The rendezvous for all pearl-lovers in Dublin is Switzers. The Ciro Pearl Department is exclusively devoted to the exhibition of Ciro Pearls, and is a revelation of their amazing fidelity to the real Oriental gem.

New Sports Wear Suits, Jumper Suits, Cashmere Suits in Silk and Wool Bouclette, etc. Lovely Spring shades and pastel tonings. W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Chancellor and Son, Photographers. New Electric Studio, 7 Grafton street, Dublin.

Forrest and Sons are now showing a charming selection of Stockinette Jumper Suits and Frocks in all the fashionable colours. Prices from 42s.

Jumper Suits in Wool Stockinette. All shades, from 35s. 6d.—Alys Glennon, 22 Dawson street.

Spring Models arriving daily at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—Colonel Lemon, H. L. Morrison, Edward L. Ross, J. G. McEntagart, Mrs. Hague, Joseph Smith, Miss M. Law, Mrs. Douglas, R. E. Clark, R. M. Sweetman, James J. Corry, James Ross, Lieut.-Col. R. J. Tamplin, Miss Worthington Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McGrath, Mrs. H. Gibson Ashby, Colonel and Mrs. Concanon.

Departures:—Sir John Moore, D.L.; Mr. and Mrs. Barton, Miss G. Garvey, G. B. Toms, Miss D. Kinnair, H. J. Simon, Mrs. Parke, R. Wilkinson, Miss Duke, Miss B. Wallis, Sir Arthur Chance, Miss H. Healy, Miss Bailey, Cyril A. Eaton, C. Smith.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney's Buyers for Millinery, Costumes, Mantles and Ladies' Outfitting now returned from Markets, and are showing the very Newest and Smartest Models for Spring.—Aston's quay, Dublin.

Furniture Stored in the only Fire-proof Depository in Ireland. Millar and Beatty, Ltd.

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New Models and Materials for Smart Spring Costumes, Coats and Two-Piece Dresses; moderate prices.—Mumford, 18 Suffolk street, Dublin.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Riquette," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"P's and Q's," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Tea for Two," 7 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"She Stoops to Conquer," 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Red Hot," 7 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Carlton Cinema—"The Swan."
La Scala Theatre—"The White Sister," 3.15, 5.45 and 8.15 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"The Eagle," 2.35, 4.45, 6.55 and 9.10 p.m.
Grafton Cinema—"Spanish Love," 2.25, 4.40, 6.55 and 9.10 p.m.
Grand Central Cinema—"The Lucky Horseshoe," 3, 5, 7.10 and 9.15 p.m.
Sackville Picture House—"The Last Laugh," 4.25, 6.35, 7 and 9.10 p.m.
Rotunda—"The Sea Hawk," 2, 5 and 8.30 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"The Devil's Cargo," 4.30 to 10.30 p.m.
Dun Laoghaire Picture House—"The Rose of Paris."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Human Destinies," 4, 6.30 and 9 p.m.
Modern French Art—Daniel Egan's Salon, 38 St. Stephen's Green, 10 to 6.
Exhibition of Pictures—Mills' Hall, Merrion Row.
R.D.S. Recital, Ballsbridge, 4 p.m.
Rotary Club Anniversary Meeting, Jury's Hotel, 6.
H. Williams and Co., Ltd., 40-41 Dame street, 12.
Royal Irish Academy, 4.15 p.m.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE NORTH.

There was an increase of 404 in the number of persons unemployed in Northern Ireland last week.

The total number on the register on the 15th inst. was 61,200, of whom 38,441 were men, 1,066 boys, 20,652 women, and 1,041 girls.

THE DUCHESS OF ABERCORN.

An official statement issued from Government House, Hillsborough, Co. Down, on Saturday, says:—"Her Grace the Duchess of Abercorn was operated upon at a nursing home in London this morning by Mr. A. J. Walton, senior surgeon of the London Hospital. The operation was completely successful, and Her Grace's condition is satisfactory."

LONDON LETTER.

GERMANY AND THE LEAGUE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON, SUNDAY NIGHT.

The influence of Sir Austen Chamberlain has prevented a critical position from being created by the admission of Germany to the League of Nations with a permanent seat on the Council. No official statement has been issued, as officially there was no difficulty. The application of Poland for a Council representative was not actually presented, but there is reason to believe that it was on the point of being lodged when the British Foreign Secretary was able to persuade the French Government to exert its strong influence in Warsaw to prevent any action from being taken by Poland, which would give Germany cause to feel aggrieved that conditions in the League were being altered in an adverse direction. Polish claims to representation are not minimised, but the British view is that they should not be pressed, particularly as they might convey an impression that they are being asserted to provide a counter balance to Germany's vote on the Council. The application of Poland, therefore, may be regarded as postponed, but not abandoned.

A Civil Service Sports Ground.

The Prime Minister is not as confident as he was regarding the desirability of proceeding with the scheme to provide Civil Service sports grounds, and it is understood that during his week-end stay at Chequers he will give the matter second thoughts. A day or two ago it was his intention to persevere with his idea, but the opposition shown by the deputation to Mr. Churchill, together with representations made to him by members of his Cabinet, may induce him to take a different outlook. Should he reach any conclusion to-day it is probable that he will make it known without delay.

Budget Preparations.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, while he has by no means completed his Budget preparations, hopes to have everything in order for its presentation on April 12th or 13th, immediately after the return of members from their Easter holidays. Rumours have been many about Budget details, but the only thing that seems assured is that there will be increase in the income tax; otherwise there are likely to be many changes and adjustments, and, possibly, some increases in indirect taxation; for Mr. Churchill will have to find money from some source or other to make his financial ends meet.

A Betting Tax.

Once again it is said that the Cabinet is considering the advisability of imposing a tax upon betting. It is known that two or three members of the Cabinet are strongly opposed to the idea, but that there is a majority in favour of such a tax seems certain. Much depends on whether it can be clearly shown that a substantial increase of revenue can be obtained, and, since the Chancellor of the Exchequer has been assured that something like ten millions is possible, it is unlikely that he will let the opportunity slip if the Cabinet consent can be obtained.

The Coal Commission.

If all goes well with the Coal Commission it is probable that its report will be in the hands of the Prime Minister some time during the next fortnight. The Commission has been sitting very long hours every day with a view to expediting its work, and even during this week-end a session has been held. The report, when ready, will take an unusual route to the public, since it will first be presented to the King, then to the Prime Minister, and then to the representatives of the coal-owners and the miners. These bodies will consider the findings, and then the public may, perhaps, be permitted to see what the report contains. In political circles there is a strong feeling that an amicable solution of the question will be reached, but that it will be found necessary to continue the coal subsidy in a modified form for some little time.

The Food Report.

The report of the Food Council, issued yesterday, is a clear indication that Lord Bradbury is determined to seek Parliamentary powers to enable him to deal with the abuses so palpably in evidence. The President of the Board of Trade has considerable sympathy with the Food Council in its efforts to bring down prices and prevent cheating, and will put forward the suggestions that legislation shall be introduced without delay. In political circles it is regarded as certain that no opposition will be offered to the proposals. A Bill on the subject may be introduced after the Easter recess, but it is scarcely likely to come up for consideration much before Whitsuntide. Financial business will be pressing for some weeks to come after the Budget has been introduced.

Shipbuilding.

A great forward step towards industrial peace has been taken by the unions in the Shipbuilding and Engineering Trade Federation in accepting the new machinery for settling disputes by conciliation. This result is the outcome of a ballot, which showed a majority of four to one in favour of the scheme formulated at the joint conference of shipyard employers and workers. The assurance of peace in the shipbuilding industry comes at a most fortunate moment; for orders for new ships continue to be placed. The Clyde yards have received contracts for thirty vessels during the past six weeks, and other shipbuilding centres also are showing signs of a welcome revival.

Sunshine in London.

The weather in London to-day has been delightful after the long spell of thirty-three rainy days. From quite early morning the sun was shining and the air was pleasant. Crowds of people were out enjoying the welcome change, and during the afternoon the streets of the West End were quite gay. The weather prophets indicate that the fine weather will have a brief stay, and they threaten a return of Easterly winds with considerable cold.

The Greek Air Force.

A great Air Force is being built up in Greece under the direction of Colonel the Master of Semphill without any burden upon the State finances. A call for voluntary contributions from Greeks in all parts of the world is bringing in substantial sums, and the municipal bodies of various Greek towns have made a quick response to an appeal for funds for the purchase of aeroplanes. Various communities have offered to provide machines, ranging in number from one to ten, while the public bodies at Salonika have combined to present the Government with twenty-five new aeroplanes. All the machines are to be built in Greece, for which purpose a modern factory under British management is being erected near Athens.

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...59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
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...me Minister is not as confident ... regarding the desirability of ... with the scheme to provide ...vice sports grounds, and it is ...l that during his week-end stay ...s he will give the matter second ... A day or two ago it was his ... to persevere with his idea, but ...tion shown by the deputation to ...chill, together with representa... ...e to him by members of his ...may induce him to take a ...outlook. Should he reach any ... to-day it is probable that he ... it known without delay.

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A NIGHT RIDE AND A MORNING FLIGHT.

TWO EPOCH-MAKING JOURNEYS.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

CLIFDEN, Saturday.

There was no lack of excitement on our journey from Baldonnel to Oranmore to put the place in readiness for the Free State airmen who have come to seek survivors of the Cardigan Castle's crew among the islands that lie off this Western coast. It was a hurried journey through black night, and fog, and wind, and rain, and it was followed by a flight no less adventurous of three Bristol Fighters and a De Haviland aeroplane.

My lot was to accompany the advance party. We left Baldonnel aerodrome at ten minutes past two o'clock this morning on our epoch-making quest. I was in the big Crossley touring car, in company with Lieutenant Stapleton, who was in charge of the landing party. Two Lancia tenders and a Crossley tender followed us, carrying fifteen men and the equipment necessary for a landing party. Making an average speed of twenty miles an hour, we soon left Lucan, Leixlip, and Maynooth behind and were well upon the road to Athlone.

A heavy, gusty wind and driving rain made the going very difficult for the drivers of the three tenders, who had no protection from the weather. Several times our pilot car outdistanced the tenders, even at that set pace, and had to draw up on the roadside and wait for them to come up. Through villages and towns we flew, without slackening our pace, for we were in an extreme hurry.

After three and a half hours of heavy going we arrived at Custume Barracks, Athlone, at 5.30 a.m., to refill the tanks with petrol. This break in our journey lasted for over an hour. We got going again *en route* for Oranmore at about fifteen minutes to seven o'clock. The wind had slightly abated, but a thick, driving mist, with light rain and fog, gave the drivers a hard time of it. On, ever on, throughout the blackness of the morning, we sped to our destination, which we reached at 8.30 a.m., after being six and a half hours on the road.

We found Oranmore looking bleak, cheerless and deserted, in the morning light. It was Lieutenant Stapleton's duty to give the aerodrome landing ground a look over to ascertain its suitability, and to report immediately to Colonel Russell. To our dismay, however, we found the post office unopened, and all the knocking we could do brought no reply. We went away, and returned a quarter of an hour later to find the office open.

AN IRISH-SPEAKING BARRACK.

Though Lieutenant Stapleton's message was to the effect that the weather was very bad and visibility poor, Colonel Russell said that he would try. After that we went to the Renmore military barracks, a mile outside of Galway, to get the men fed. This station is occupied by the No. 1 Irish-Speaking Battalion. It was most interesting to hear the men speak in fluent Gaelic. It impressed me so much that I asked myself—How could Irish be a dead language, if it can live as it does in this barrack, where no word of English is heard from morning to night?

Orders had been given for the supply of breakfast to all the landing party, and the men were eagerly awaiting the call, when a message was received, stating that Colonel

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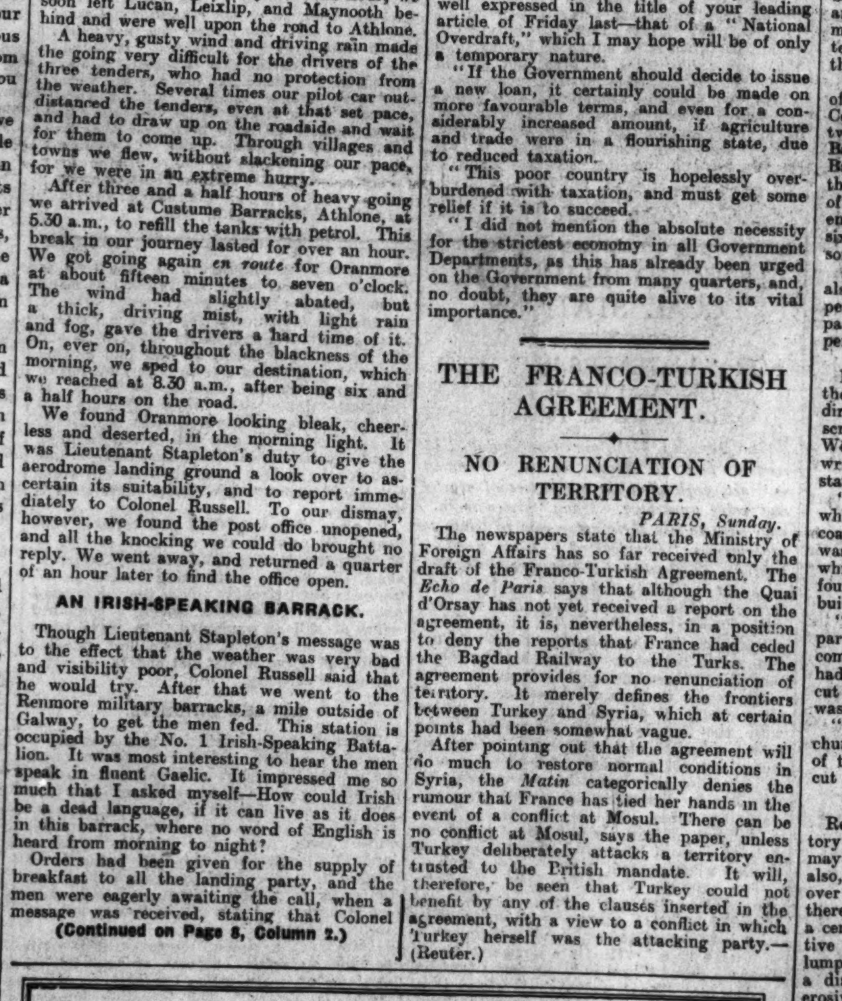

THE FALLING FRANC

CONTINUED APATHY OF THE NATION.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

Yesterday's fall of the franc to below 137 has added to the general anxiety about the financial position. The average Frenchman watches the decline of the franc with acute dismay, because he realises that it reduces the value of any money he earns or owns; but it is evident that he has not yet clearly grasped the connection between the weakness of the franc and the futile methods of Parliament. Otherwise he would never tolerate the present Parliamentary methods. For instance, the *Echo de Paris* devotes a long article to-day to showing that the Cartel des Gauches is responsible for the fall of the franc, as if the Nationalists were not equally responsible for it when they were in power. What the general public fails to understand is that, so long as the Budget is in deficit, the franc is bound to fall, and that the longer the delay in finding the revenue to balance the Budget the lower it will go. It seems to imagine that because Parliament has voted provisional credits for the month of February the Government has money in hand, and that Parliament can, therefore, afford to take its time. This is the only possible explanation of the comparative equanimity with which the French see day after day passing without any appreciable improvement in the prospect of really balancing the Budget.

It is true that the financial situation is giving rise to demonstrations in nearly every town in France. Roubaix and Rheims are added to-day to the list of towns where the shopkeepers have closed their shutters in protest; but these protests are in practically every case directed, not against the delays in Parliament, but against the unfairness of existing taxes. It is only shopkeepers who protest, because, as their incomes are easy to assess, taxation falls heaviest upon them. There is no sign yet that the farmers, or the bulk of the manufacturers, or the working-men employed in industry, have begun to feel the pinch acutely. The nation is still too comfortably well off.

It would seem that the franc will have to fall more abruptly still before the nation is roused. So far as general trade and industry are concerned, there are indications that the long spell of prosperity which France has enjoyed owing to low costs of production is coming to an end. Until recently the French trade had been well on the right side, but the trade statistics for the months of December and January show a considerable excess of imports over exports. If this is continued, the effect will soon be felt, more particularly since the activity of internal trade has been on the decline all through the past year.

The Finance Committee of the Senate continued yesterday its examination of the Finance Bill. It restored the articles providing for an increase in the duties on alcohol, coffee and sugar, which the Chamber had suppressed. In the case of tobacco it actually passed higher rates than those which the Chamber had rejected.

"REDUCE TAXATION."

MR. McCANN AND A NATIONAL OVERDRAFT.

In reply to the criticism of his "reduce taxation" proposal, Mr. John McCann stated to an *Irish Times* reporter who called upon him yesterday:—"Some of your correspondents in your issue of Saturday last have taken a wrong impression from my speech to the shareholders of the Grand Canal Company.

"I did not suggest that a loan should be raised for revenue purposes, should a deficit result from reduced taxation. My view is well expressed in the title of your leading article of Friday last—that of a "National Overdraft," which I may hope will be of only a temporary nature.

"If the Government should decide to issue a new loan, it certainly could be made on more favourable terms, and even for a considerably increased amount, if agriculture and trade were in a flourishing state, due to reduced taxation.

"This poor country is hopelessly overburdened with taxation, and must get some relief if it is to succeed.

"I did not mention the absolute necessity for the strictest economy in all Government Departments, as this has already been urged on the Government from many quarters, and, no doubt, they are quite alive to its vital importance."

THE FRANCO-TURKISH AGREEMENT.

NO RENUNCIATION OF TERRITORY.

PARIS, Sunday.

The newspapers state that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has so far received only the draft of the Franco-Turkish Agreement. The *Echo de Paris* says that although the Quai d'Orsay has not yet received a report on the agreement, it is, nevertheless, in a position to deny the reports that France had ceded the Bagdad Railway to the Turks. The agreement provides for no renunciation of territory. It merely defines the frontiers between Turkey and Syria, which at certain points had been somewhat vague.

After pointing out that the agreement will do much to restore normal conditions in Syria, the *Matin* categorically denies the rumour that France has tied her hands in the event of a conflict at Mosul. There can be no conflict at Mosul, says the paper, unless Turkey deliberately attacks a territory entrusted to the British mandate. It will, therefore, be seen that Turkey could not benefit by any of the clauses inserted in the agreement, with a view to a conflict in which Turkey herself was the attacking party.—(Reuter.)

SEASIDE RESORTS IN PERIL.

SOME EXAMPLES OF EROSION.

YOUGHAL'S FEARS.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The plight of Lahinch and the new fears of Youghal are turning thought again to the constant gnawing of the sea on certain stretches of the Irish coast. Year in, year out, cliff masses fall and shore lines are bitten deeper, without occasion for note of alarm; but sometimes, as now, a more than wonted violence of winter storm gives hint of danger to human habitations, or portends the making of a breach that will admit an inrush of the sea to far-spread acres.

Leaving Lahinch and some further matters for another day, I shall write first, of Youghal, which offers not only an example of new apprehensions, but also evidence of past success in measures of defence against what an old statute calls "the outrageous flowing, surges and course of the sea."

OVER 700 YEARS OLD.

The old town of Youghal—an ancient settlement, made a corporation as long ago as 1202—is not in danger. It is built at the eastern extremity of a tongue of that main barrier of high land which forms a watershed between the Lee and the Blackwater river systems; and from that sandstone ridge the old town looked northwards up the estuary of the Blackwater, and enjoyed shelter from the southern and western winds.

On the slope towards the river Raleigh planted his potatoes and built himself the pleasant place where he and Spenser talked. Old Youghal faced the river whence its traffic came—traffic from all the rich basin of the Blackwater. In the shelter of her slopes the seamen put up their boats, and brought their cargoes ashore. What may be called the permanent part of Youghal always will look up the river, which is navigable for many miles above the town.

Even the fact that the railway line from Cork is laid below the southern slope of the sheltering ridge, and stops short there, has not led to a shifting of the town's core.

THE SOUTHERN SLOPE.

Youghal town, indeed, would hardly ever think of the tract of land over its shoulder to the south, but for one reason—its summer visitors, who, from the time, long before the building of a railway, when folk came down from inland to refresh themselves with brine and breeze where the Blackwater opens to the sea, have sought the strand below the town. Houses and hotels for the ever-increasing number of visitors have been built on the southern slope of the ridge and along the south-extending strand.

Now, this strand is a shingle-ridge, stretched four or five miles in a long, flat curve. It is probable that in pre-historic times the coast-line in that quarter was nearly a straight line between Knockadoon Point, on the south-west, and Ardmore Head, on the north-east; but the south-east wind and surge, beating here through the ages as they beat to-day, hollowed out Youghal Harbour until the sandstone ridge that shelters Youghal slackened the process by offering a buttress behind which the forces of the Blackwater River massed for a counter-movement. But east and west of the mouth of the Blackwater, and even within the estuary, erosion continues.

LOST LAND.

The strand already mentioned has gone back a long way within the period of records, and many yards, at least, within living memory, notwithstanding the erection of protective works. On the Waterford coast to the east, erosion goes on apace.

In evidence given by the County Surveyor of Waterford before the Royal Commission on Coast Erosion in 1910, it was stated that between 1847 and 1884 the land lost in Whiting Bay was 24 statute acres, and in Ardmore Bay 30½ acres. In Ardmore Bay, despite the erection of a protective wall and a system of timber groynes since 1884, "the sea is still encroaching, the rate of erosion being about six feet per annum, and within recent years some houses and a road have disappeared."

Encroachment at Whiting Bay was stated also to be continuing at the rate of six feet per annum, and roads along the coast in those parts have been diverted at considerable expense.

ARDMORE BAY.

Effects of erosion in Ardmore Bay (where the forces at work are the same as those directed against Youghal Strand) were described in graphic detail by Mr. T. J. Westropp, the archæologist, in a paper written for the Royal Commission. He stated:—

"There was about 1850 a shingle bank, which had, evidently for ages, protected the coast. This, from some unknown cause, was washed away, disclosing a sheet of peat, in which, under the site of the shingle, were found the remains of a crannoge, or pile building, of very early date.

"The bog and some traces of the piles partly remain, but further eastward the sea commenced cutting into the land. Soon it had removed a school and other houses and cut the shore road. A diversion of the road was made, and again got cut away.

"Now, standing on the ridge near the church and Round Tower, one sees the ends of the old road in line, and the bay deeply cut into the landward of it."

BELOW SEA LEVEL.

Returning now from Ardmore and old history to Youghal strand and present fears, it may be remarked that in the latter place, also, it seems that the bank of shingle lies over a bed of peat. Behind the ridge, inland there is low-lying peat bog, and a quarter of a century ago an engineer engaged on protective works deliberately cut away outcropping lumps of peat, which, in his opinion, created a disturbance of currents, and so hastened erosive action.

The shingle-ridge, it was remarked, has been driven inwards gradually. The further it gets the lower is the land before it.

From a point near Youghal railway station it is possible to recognise plainly the fact that the land south of the Youghal-Killeagh road is below the level reached by the sea at high water on the other side of the narrow shingle ridge. The railway itself traverses that low-lying ground.

The sea has broken through once before. That was in 1899. The lowest-lying tract was inundated for many miles; the railway line was under water, and rail communication with Youghal ceased for the time.

RAILWAY SERVICES INTERRUPTED.

The town of Youghal suffered through interruption of its railway services; the County Council had fears for a county road that was threatened with destruction by the flood; the railway company's line was useless to its owners; and the Government was concerned because the rifle-range by the strand was covered, and the works thereon were washed away. These four authorities, then, joined in a fund for the erection of protective works at a cost of £10,000.

The breach made in the shingle ridge was about 500 feet wide. The method adopted for closing it was to drive in two rows of heavy piles, the rows being about eight feet apart. Walls of railway sleepers were made against the two rows, and the ditch so created between the rows was filled with stones, shingle, and heavy clay. The top was built up slowly, being raised gradually as the sea lodged and raised a bank of sand against the dam.

Provision was then made for draining away the land water, and also the water that had been left by the sea, by a sluice and a long open cutting across the foreshore. The work was commenced in 1900, and completed in 1902. It was supplemented by a system of groynes.

That protection work, so far as it went, was quite successful. It brought about the formation of a sand bank, which is a better protection than the artificial dam itself; and in 1910 Mr. Owens, the engineer who was responsible for the work, estimated that the accumulation of sand then was 13 or 14 feet over the site of the artificial bank.

In a further article I shall describe what is happening now along Youghal Strand to cause renewed fears.

Genius, whether religious or intellectual, is curiously and distressingly infertile. The feeble-minded are disastrously prolific, and their fecundity is a grave concern to those who desire religious progress.—Bishop of Birmingham.

ATLANTIC RESCUE

HOW THE CREW OF ALKAID WERE SAVED.

WRECK SET ON FIRE.

Another story of chivalry on the seas was reported upon the arrival of the Hamburg-Amerika liner Westphalia at Queenstown on Saturday evening, when Captain Carl Grallfs, its commander, was accorded a welcome by the Free State Government and the Cork County public officials on his gallant rescue of the crew of the Dutch steamer Alkaid.

On January 23rd the Westphalia left Queenstown for New York, and hardly was the Irish coast left behind than the full fury of the gale which resulted in the loss of the British steamers Antinoe and Laristan was encountered. In his official report Captain Grallfs gives a graphic description of the rescue of the crew of the Dutch steamer.

GREAT SEAS.

HEAVY DAMAGE ON BOARD.

Immediately after leaving Queenstown the Westphalia met with stiff westerly winds, which on January 29th increased to full hurricane force. There was a tremendously high sea, the ship laboured heavily, and the seas broke over us, says the captain, in his report. At 11.30 at night a heavy sea broke over the bow, carrying broken bits of iron and wood up to the bridge. The already reduced speed of the engines was further slowed down to 60 revolutions, and it was ascertained that No. 1 hatch had been broken in. I turned the ship with the wind in order to permit the crew to work forward. Upon closer inspection the following damage was found:—The boom supports at No. 1 hatch completely bent and broken; the hatch combing forward bent back about 12 inches; the full width of the bulkhead of the forward deckhouse was dented 18 inches towards the stern; the bulls' eyes were smashed; the steam pipes of the anchor winch were broken; the valve casing of the fire extinguishing apparatus was torn from the deck and broken; the lashing of the spare propeller blade broken, and the deck screws of the same loosened, and all pipe coverings loosened. The water-tight bulkheads in front of both gangways were splintered; the doors of the wash-houses and companion ways to the crew's quarters and 'tweendecks were completely smashed. As a consequence a great quantity of water entered the quarters below and No. 2 hold, and through the broken doors flooded the cabins. How much water entered No. 1 hatch from above could not be ascertained.

By Saturday, January 30th, at 4.45 in the morning, the work forward had been so far completed that we could again have continued on our course, but as it still blew a full hurricane we continued to lie before the wind. In this position on Sunday, January 31st, at 2 o'clock in the morning, we received the call for assistance from the Dutch steamer Alkaid, of Rotterdam, which was apparently in great trouble.

FULL SPEED TO THE RESCUE.

Now the wireless direction finder proved its worth; with the help of this instrument I was at once able to ascertain the position of the steamer calling for assistance. I set the course accordingly, and was able with the wind astern to steam full speed ahead to the place of disaster, maintained steady communication with the ship, and reached her at 11.15 a.m. The Alkaid lay with her engines stopped in the trough of the sea, the heavy breakers going clean over her. As the wind velocity was still very high an attempt at rescue was not that day to be thought of. The Westphalia laboured so heavily in the wild seas that I could hardly have put a boat into the water without breaking it up, and to go alongside the Alkaid would have been impossible, because of the heavy seas breaking over her. The boat would surely have filled. In spite of urgent messages, I decided not to undertake anything then, and as the barometer was slowly rising and there were prospects of better weather, I waited until the next morning.

In the night, during which the Westphalia remained in close proximity to the Alkaid, the storm diminished somewhat, so that at 7 a.m. the wind velocity had fallen slightly. In consideration of the desperate situation of the Alkaid I decided to send a boat over, and wirelessed to that effect at 9.5. I brought the Westphalia close to the windward of the still heavily rolling wreck, and was able thereby to act as a sort of a breakwater, so that the heavy rollers no longer struck her. At 9.55, at a moment when the Westphalia lay comparatively quiet, the boat, manned by volunteers (there were many), was quickly lowered, and, protected by the Westphalia, it succeeded in reaching the Alkaid. I kept my ship, which drifted sideways much faster than the Alkaid, to the windward of her, until there was danger of a collision.

CREW TAKEN OFF.

Upon backing the Westphalia out of the danger zone I saw that my boat had cast off from the Alkaid. It had taken on all persons (27), and headed away from her before the wind. I steamed after and protected the boat on my port side against the high-breaking waves. By means of casting lines, rope ladders and the like, all were hauled to the deck. With the exception of a few skin abrasions and contusions all were uninjured, though exhausted. It was impossible to haul the lifeboat back on deck, because of the heavy sea and the danger of losing some of her crew.

Before leaving the Alkaid she was set afire, and in a short time she was ablaze. The sea-cocks had also been opened, in order to remove a danger to navigation. The crew of the Alkaid came aboard greatly exhausted, and the brave crew of my lifeboat showed that they had gone through two hours of the hardest kind of exertions. At 11.15 the work of rescue was done, and I resumed my course for New York.

OIL ON TROUBLED WATERS.

During the whole time both the Alkaid and we poured large quantities of oil upon the seas, which worked well, and caused the heavy breakers to lose some of their destructive force. The lifeboat was in command of the second officer, Mr. Rettberg, and it was due to his efficiency, supported by the efforts of the other members of her crew, that the exceedingly difficult rescue was accomplished without any accident.

As was related to me later by the master of the Alkaid, Captain Roos, his ship must have been in a pitiable condition. The entire deckhouse was smashed, all doors were gone, the No. 2 hatch was completely open, the deck had split in several places, the stern was smashed and the rudder thereby jammed. The lifeboats were all smashed and the railing at the bow was flattened down. In the stokehold and engineroom the water stood so high that the fires under the boilers were put out. The pumps had already been clogged by coal and ashes. He believed that his ship could not have kept afloat much longer.

CAPTAIN GRALLFS COMPLIMENTED.

The deputation which journeyed out on the tender, were entertained to dinner on board, after which speeches of congratulation and praise were made by members of the deputation to Captain Grallfs on his splendid achievement.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Captain Grallfs was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers by a little Irish girl, Miss Patricia Courtney, daughter of one of the officials of the Hamburg-American Line at Queenstown.

ITALY AND AUSTRIA.

SOUTH TYROL INCIDENT CLOSED.

ROME, Sunday.

It is semi-officially stated that the explanations given by Dr. Ramek, the Austrian Chancellor, to the Italian Minister in Vienna regarding certain passages in a recent speech of his have been considered satisfactory by the head of the Italian Government, and that incident is consequently closed.—(Reuter.)

LATE NEWS

A COURAGEOUS INDUSTRY.

SHIPPING TO PULL THROUGH.

In a leading article, *The Times* observes:—It is no exaggeration to say that the speeches delivered and the resolutions passed at the annual general meeting last week of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom are of direct concern to every man, woman and child in these islands. They follow closely on, and form an appendage to, the annual report of the Chamber which was issued last Monday. Whatever the importance of other great national industries, the prosperity or the adversity of the British Mercantile Marine affects not sections and classes of the nation, but the entire community, and the fortunes, the ups and downs of British shipping, are in turn affected by practically everything that goes on in this country and in all the countries of the world with which it has connections. Shipping lives on the ability of other industries to employ it, and while it lives on them it in turn helps largely to make them possible.

Depressed as British shipping is, it has kept its flag flying without whining to others for help. The courage of the shipowners, admirably shown by Mr. Runciman in his presidential address, and by many of his colleagues, is the surest indication that the shipping industry will pull through. Shipowners know, of knowing, what is at stake. It is nothing less than the ability of this country to meet its debts and feed and clothe itself, not to mention its enjoyment of comforts and superfluities, but they are confident that, given certain conditions, they can survive the stress of present bad weather. It is not competition that they fear; competition braces and brightens; but they look rightly for the removal of certain handicaps.

The Chamber, for instance, is, on the whole, against the creation of extra tonnage under the facilities given by the Trade Facilities Act. It finds itself hampered by so-called international conventions, which few nations except our own observe, or have ratified. From these and similar grievances relief can be sought only from the Government. Another grievance, as Mr. Runciman half-humorously put it, is the share, amounting to one-fifth of the profits, year after year taken by the Exchequer, the sleeping, but extortionate, partner in all their concerns. But, strictly speaking, the extortionate partner is not the Exchequer, but the nation, and it will be for the nation to weigh the merits and demerits of a lavish social expenditure which mounts up against that industry which, more than any other, is the artery of its life-blood.

FRENCH MANDATE IN SYRIA.

GENERAL SARRAIL JUSTIFIED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Sunday.

The Druse rebels in Syria will not be persuaded to lay down their arms without a great show of force, declares the report of the French Government on the Syrian mandate for the year 1925, which has been presented to the League of Nations Commission. The military commander will use his own discretion when an opportune moment arrives.

General Sarrail is effectively "whitewashed" by the report, which declares that the bombardment of Damascus was necessary in order to prevent the over-running of the Lebanon by the rebels.

M. de Jouvenel's work, since he arrived in Beirut as High Commissioner, is highly praised in the report, which declares that he is doing his best, through mild regulations, to pacify the country. He has accomplished this everywhere, except in the Jebel Druse.

NEW SPIRIT IN THE NORTH.

ORANGEMEN AT HIBERNIAN GATHERING.

Further references were made to participation by the representatives of Tyrone in the Ulster Parliament at a reunion held at Corr Hall, near Coalisland, under the auspices of the Killyman Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, for the purpose of bidding adieu to John and Peter Quinn, two prominent members of the Order, who leave for New Zealand on Wednesday next.

Mr. John Skeffington, solicitor, Dungannon, who presided, said that it was a sign of the new spirit of social Ulster when on that Hibernian platform he was accompanied by two leading Orangemen. It was this spirit of comradeship and goodwill between all creeds and classes which was now, he declared, permeating the whole social life.

Dealing with unemployment, he said that there was now new financial assistance coming to the Unemployment Fund from the British Treasury, and they should see that it was fairly disbursed. The unfortunate situation, however, was that in the Ulster Parliament representatives who did not represent the workers were at Parliament, and those who should represent the workers did not go to Parliament. However, the people had been aroused in this matter, and were about to see that their representatives spoke for them in the assembly, to the laws of which they were compelled to conform.

SAVE EDUCATION.

MR. SNOWDEN'S CRITICISM OF ECONOMY SCHEME.

Speaking at Leeds last Saturday, Mr. Philip Snowden asked why it was that education had been singled out first in the Government's so-called economy scheme. If national economy was necessary, then it should be effected upon these services which neither improved nor strengthened individual or national well-being. The last service that ought to come under the axe of national economy was the educational system. Parsimony in expenditure on education was the greatest form of national extravagance. Mr. Churchill was looking not so much to the next Budget as to future Budgets, and was hoping to get relief by reducing progressive expenditure on education.

The country could not spend too much on education, Mr. Snowden concluded, and the more they spent on education the less they would have to spend on armed forces.

FLYING ACCIDENT IN ARABIA.

PILOT AND MECHANIC KILLED.

The Air Ministry regrets to announce that, as a result of an accident at Nobat Dakim, South Arabia, to a Bristol Fighter of the Aden flight on 19th February, Flight Lieutenant Eric Barnes Mason, the pilot of the aircraft, and No. 350081 A.C.I. Jack Gwynne Cole were killed.

ICE IN THE BALTIC.

HELSINGFORS, Saturday.

Ice conditions off the Finnish Coast have not shown any change worth mentioning during the past week, except that a narrow rift has appeared in the ice-belt in the Western part of the Gulf of Finland, showing that the outer pack ice of the open sea is mobile. Thanks to the help rendered by ice-breakers, traffic is only held up in Hanko and Turku, and only partially at these places.—(Reuter.)

GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA IN MOTOR ACCIDENT.

LAUNCESTON, TASMANIA, Sunday.

While returning from a trip to the East Coast this evening, a car, driven by Mr. Wardlaw, member of the Legislative Council, who was accompanied by Sir James O'Grady, the Governor of Tasmania, ran into a tree. Sir James is suffering from abrasions and shock; Captain Stopp, his A.D.C., from injury to his hip, and Mr. and Mrs. Wardlaw from shock.—(Reuter.)

ELECTED WITHOUT A QUOTA.

GOVERNMENT WIN.

RESULT OF ELECTION IN LEIX AND OFFALY.

The Free State Government candidate was returned in the by-election in King's and Queen's Counties, without reaching the quota. The count was not concluded until 2 a.m. yesterday morning. The figures were:—

	First Count.	Final Figures.
Mr. J. Dwyer (G.)	18,618	19,345
Mr. A. O'Connor (R.)	15,400	18,523
Mr. J. F. Gill (L.)	9,187	—
Majority		822

The total of valid votes was 41,205, and the quota 20,603. About 70 per cent. of the electorate voted.

On the count of the Queen's County votes last Friday Mr. Dwyer had a majority of 976 first preferences over Mr. O'Connor, and his lead was increased by 233 in the count of the King's County first preferences.

On the elimination of Mr. Gill, the distribution of his second preferences gave Mr. Dwyer 2,727, Mr. O'Connor 3,123, and there were 3,337 non-transferable votes. The final figures accordingly were:—

Dwyer	19,345
O'Connor	18,523
Dwyer's majority	822

Neither candidate obtained the quota, and Mr. Dwyer, having the higher number of preferences, was declared duly elected.

THE VOTES OF THANKS.

Mr. Dwyer, as the successful candidate, moved the customary vote of thanks to the Returning Officer and his staff. He expressed the hope that the good spirit that was shown in the election would continue, and that in the near future they would all be united.

Mr. O'Connor said that, while re-echoing the sentiment expressed by Mr. Dwyer as to their being united on a common platform, he could not see much light in that direction. In thanking his supporters for their work he said that the fact that they had increased their total from 11,000 in 1923 to 15,000 was a tribute to the enthusiasm that existed, and while that spirit existed they need not be afraid as to the ultimate success of Republicanism in Ireland.

Mr. Gill, in associating himself with the vote, said that the increase in the Labour poll in Leix-Offaly and their winning the seat in Dublin, pointed to the fact that Labour was awakening.

The Returning Officer (Mr. J. N. M'Clure) acknowledged the vote of thanks.

MODERN PAGANISM.

RULES FOR SPORTS IN CATHOLIC AUSTRIA.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

VIENNA, Sunday.

Signed by the highest dignitaries of the Catholic Church in Austria, a Pastoral Letter was read in all the Catholic churches this morning as a most solemn commandment to give up modern paganism, which, the letter declares, is the result of the present day "cult of the body."

Physical culture, mixed bathing, combative sports, aesthetic dancing, and modern feminine attire are all condemned as un-Christian. The message goes further than a warning by giving a definite set of rules by which Catholic Austria must govern themselves in the future when practising gymnastics.

The letter bears the signatures of Monsignor Piffl Prince, Archbishop of Vienna, Salzburg, Gratz and Klaronfurt; Bishop St. Poelssonn and Bishop Linz, and the Apostolic Administrator of Teldkirch.

"The body of Christians is sacred," the appeal begins, "but the care of the body must never become the cult of the body, because such practices destroy the cult of the soul. There is now a growing inclination to make an unwise choice. Without exception, the excessive cult of the body has brought shame and moral deformity in all periods of history whenever such excessives have occurred.

"In the present epoch there is too much pagan body worship. God gave man shame to protect his chastity and his modesty. Through literature, art and sports the modern cult of the body is lowering the protective power of shame. Christianity demands that the body be healthy, strong, graceful and beautiful. But, above all, Christianity demands that the body be subservient to the soul. That is the rule every good Christian must observe."

TEN COMMANDMENTS.

The document then takes up the task of setting definite regulations to govern gymnastics. The rules literally constitute ten commandments for Christian sports. The rules laid down are:—

1—In gymnastics, the sexes must be separated.

2—Teachers of gymnastics must be the same sex as the pupils.

3—Garments worn by either sex must not be immodest.

4—Bathing suits must be worn by gymnastics, either by boys or girls.

5—Nude exercises of any kind whatsoever must be forbidden.

6—For sports-wear, girls and women must never use garments which reveal the forms of their bodies.

7—It is strictly forbidden to hold gymnastic exercises in public.

8—If impossible to secure privacy, girls and women must exercise in ordinary clothing of long skirts, long sleeves, unloose necks.

9—Sporting clubs and athletic associations must observe all these rules strictly.

WATER SPORTS.

Then follows a special set of regulations for water sports—

Rule 1—Girls and women must never be permitted to swim in public.

2—In all sea bathing and river bathing out of doors the sexes must be separated.

3—Men, women, girls and boys must under no conditions be allowed to dress or undress together.

4—The police authorities and all State authorities must undertake the responsibility of carrying out these rules to the letter.

Winding up their message to the people, the dignitaries of the Church call upon all to put down the present flood of pornographic literature and art, and urge the stamping out of the modern styles of dressing, because low necks, short skirts and bare arms "express a cynical and pagan life and excite deliberately the sexuality of the sexes."

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THE SALE OF FOOD

DRASTIC PROPOSALS.

EFFORT TO PREVENT SHORT WEIGHT.

The Food Council in England issued its report on Saturday, and it is expected that legislation will be introduced during the present session of Parliament to give effect to the recommendations of the Council.

The report will come before the Cabinet on Saturday, when it is expected that the scope of the new bill will be considered. The Food Council has suggested that any new law should apply to the wholesale as well as the retail trade.

MEAT AND BREAD.

SHORT WEIGHT A STATUTORY OFFENCE.

The first recommendation is that the giving of short weight or measure in the sale of foodstuffs, and oral misrepresentation of weight or measure be made statutory offences.

The Council also recommended the following articles to be retailed exclusively by net weight, except when sold in quantities less than two ounces or in single pennyworths, or less:—

Bacon and ham, butchers' meat (excluding heads, feet, hearts, lights and calves' sweetbreads), butter, lard and margarine, cheese; cereals, the following: flour and cornflour, oatmeal and rolled oats, rice, sago, tapioca; sugar, coffee, cocoa, cocoa powder and chocolate powder; dried beans and peas; dried currants, raisins and sultanas; jam and marmalade; potatoes.

With the exception of bacon and ham, butchers' meat and cheese, all the articles in the list should be retailed only in quantities of two ounces, four ounces, eight ounces, one pound, or multiples of one pound, unless they are (a) weighed in the presence of the purchaser or his agent, or (b) sold in quantities less than two ounces or in single pennyworths, or less.

Flour may also be sold in quarterns (three and a half pounds) and half-quarterns (one and three-quarter pounds).

All the articles specified when sold by retail should be delivered to the purchaser with a legible statement of the net weight. In the case of foodstuffs made up in packages, the net weight at the time of packing or at times of importation (whichever is the later) is to be legibly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package. The exceptions to be:—

(a) Articles weighed in the presence of the purchaser or his agent; (b) articles sold in quantities less than two ounces, or in single pennyworths or less; (c) articles made up for sale by retailers in quantities of two ounces, four ounces, eight ounces, one pound, and multiples of one pound.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS.

The following are among other suggestions:—

Steps to be taken to make it clear that the placing of a counter-weight in the "weights" pan of a weighing-machine, in order to secure net weight, is not illegal.

Butcher's meat, when conveyed for delivery to the purchaser, to be accompanied by a legible statement of the net weight, whether the meat has been weighed in the presence of the purchaser or not.

Warranty clauses, similar to those appearing in the schedule to the Sale of Tea Act, to be included, except that a warranty given by a person resident outside the United Kingdom should not be available as a defence.

Powers to be given to inspectors to weigh the contents of packages on the premises of wholesalers, packers, and importers, as well as of retailers.

In the case of goods sold in packets or containers, regard to be had to the average weight or measure of the contents of a number of packets or containers exposed for sale.

Traders to be safeguarded from prosecution in cases where they can prove that the deficiency is due to unavoidable evaporation or drainage, and has occurred, in spite of due care having been taken to avoid such deficiency.

The temporary provisions of the Sale of Food Order, requiring bread to be sold in weights of 1lb., or an even number of lbs., to be made permanent, as proposed in the draft Sale of Bread Bill.

THE SALE OF MILK.

Fresh milk, except when sold in single pennyworths or less, to be retailed only by imperial measure and in quantities of half a pint or multiples of half a pint.

Foodstuffs consumed in restaurants or on the vendor's premises to be exempt from the obligations to sell by net weight or measure.

All figures, letters, and other indications of weight or measure exhibited on foodstuffs offered for sale to be clear and conspicuous, and no indication of weight or measure which is calculated to deceive to be exhibited.

Where the weighing or measuring of any foodstuffs takes place in the presence of the purchaser, the weighing or measuring appliances to be in such a position that the purchaser can read all indications of weight or measurement.

INEFFECTIVE LEGISLATION.

In discussing the position, the council state that existing legislation cannot effectively prevent short weight and measure in the sale of foodstuffs. An instance is mentioned where in the case of a supply of milk in bottles 73 per cent. of the bottles were found too small to hold a pint. On a calculation based on the firm's own return and on the assumption that only 50 per cent. were deficient, that firm would make an extra profit by short measure alone of £1,400 per annum.

"We do not in the least desire to suggest," proceeds the report, "that the giving of short weight and measure is generally prevalent in the retail trade of the country, or to overrate the extent to which the practice prevails."

MOBILE ARTILLERY.

DEFENCE OF THE PANAMA CANAL.

WASHINGTON (By Mail.)

Plans for supplementing the 16-inch coast defence batteries of the Panama Canal zone with two 14-inch guns on railway mountings have been approved by the War Department, and they will be shipped south as soon as the necessary changes on railway trucks to fit the gauge of the Panama railroad have been made.

Major-General Frank W. Coe, the former Chief of Coast Artillery, has informed the House of Representatives Military Sub-Committee on Appropriations of the plan to have a battery of four 14-inch railway guns ultimately on the Pacific coast, and also to supplement the fixed batteries of the canal zone with two of these weapons of the heaviest type of mobile gun.

Major-General Williams, Chief of Army Ordnance, told the Committee that the railway guns had a proven range of 38,600 yards, as compared to the 49,000 yard range of the 16-inch guns. Four more 16-inch weapons are to be placed in the canal fixed defences to supplement the four already in process of installation, as a part of the Army programme to place 28 of these great guns at various points on the Continent or overseas.

Explaining the decision to send the rail guns to Panama, General Coe told the Committee that their "strategic mobility" was very great.

"They could be moved from one end of the canal to the other," he said, "and we felt that the probability of any attack coming from both ends at the same time was remote."—(Reuter.)

JAPANESE PRINCE'S ILLNESS.

BERNE, Saturday.

The condition of Prince Chichibu of Japan, who has been laid up at Murren with a mild attack of measles, has much improved, and the fever has left him. He will leave his bed in two or three days' time.—(Reuter.)

JUNIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.
Examination Announced for July, 1926.
At the last examination (Male and Female), March, 1925, 18 Students were successful from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. Best Result. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes now working.
—(Advt.)

AIR SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS.

(Continued from Page 7, Column 2.)

Russell and three other officers had left Baldonnel, piloting four machines. Breakfast was forgotten in the rush to get out to prepare the aerodrome. None of us expected for an instant that the airmen would make the attempt.

Having got everything ship-shape, we were standing around the transportation shed at the aerodrome, when I noticed two specks, which at first I mistook for seagulls, coming out of the mist, about five miles away. I could not help shouting the news to all and sundry. Soon two other aeroplanes became visible, and in less than ten minutes the four had landed successfully. In coming to the ground, the Bristol fighter, piloted by Colonel Russell, the Officer Commanding the Air Force, seemed to fall instead of to glide for the last couple of feet to the ground. For a moment we all thought that the machine was going to turn over, but although swaying badly she was quickly righted by Colonel Russell.

The cause was soon forthcoming. It was ascertained that midway on the journey a rigging wire of the left wing of Colonel Russell's machine had snapped, with a loud report, which startled him very much. It is a serious thing if a rigging wire snaps in the weather during a flight, for it may mean the loosening of the whole framework, or of the two wings, and so may spell disaster. "It gave me quite a fright," said Colonel Russell afterwards; "for the nonce I did not know what had happened, but when I did I realised how things stood. I attributed the breaking to the terrible strain put on the machine by the weather we encountered."

A NARROW ESCAPE.

On receiving the weather report from Oranmore, Colonel Russell decided to make flight. The weather is very bad, and under ordinary conditions the aeroplanes would never have gone at all. Colonel Russell was influenced in his decision by the possible value of their services in general rescue work.

At 9.45 a.m. the four aeroplanes set out from Baldonnel, flying in formation, for Galway at a height of about two hundred feet. At that time there was a very heavy mist and visibility was poor. The squadron had intended to follow the railway line as a guide, but so bad was the visibility at times that it was found necessary to rely on the compass. An average of 95 miles an hour was made, and, with their course due west, the aeroplanes got on all right until, between Mullingar and Athlone, they ran into particularly bad squalls, which took them more or less by surprise.

A SUDDEN DESCENT.

An interesting point revealed itself to the airmen when they were travelling over a bog outside Athlone. The machines, for no apparent reason, began slowly to descend. The engine was running at 2,200 revolutions per minute, at a height of seventeen hundred to two thousand feet, as usual. They could do nothing to stop it, but just as they were two hundred feet off the ground—or rather off the bog—the machines began to re-ascend. One of the pilots said that the sensation was the same as that experienced in rarefied air 20,000 feet up.

After leaving Athlone the airmen ran into very bad weather, and were hidden most of the time in mists and clouds. The rain and gusty winds gave the machines a considerable buffeting, and at times things looked very bad. It was a terrible journey.

SELECTING THE LANDING PLACE.

On arriving at Oranmore, Colonel Russell, Lieutenant Heron, Lieutenant Arthur Russell, and myself motored in a big Crossley car from Oranmore to Clifden to seek a suitable landing ground.

The Rev. Father Carney, of Clifden, guided us to Aillebrack, near the sea coast, on the southern portion of Slyne Head.

The three officers reconnoitred the land, and after walking over it for miles, selected a particular stretch of ground as the most suitable. It is about eight and a half miles from Clifden, and the road is very bad for motoring. We had a puncture coming back, and it was while repairing it that we saw Captain Crossley making his great flight to High Island and back.

VOYAGE TO HIGH ISLAND.

COLONEL RUSSELL'S SEARCH ON CAHER ISLAND.

From Our Special Correspondent.

CLIFDEN, Sunday.

Disappointed at the weather conditions to-day, which made it impossible to bring the machines down from Oranmore to the new base at Slyne Head, Colonel Russell saw Captain Thompson, of the ss. Muirchu, at our hotel in Clifden. The result of the talk was that Colonel Russell decided to go with Captain Thompson on another trip to High Island, and see if it was at all possible to make a landing.

Colonel Russell, Captain Thompson and myself then motored to where the ss. Muirchu was anchored in Clifden bay, and in ten minutes we were aboard.

At 1.15 p.m. the anchor was up, and we were steaming out into the bay. It is eight miles from Clifden to High Island.

The ss. Muirchu is a very fine boat, able to stand any sea, and was built in 1908 in Dublin especially for fishery patrol work.

When we put out into the bay after fifteen minutes we got the full force of a heavy Atlantic swell, which we took half broadside on, and the Muirchu, which was light in ballast, having only two days' coal left, rolled heavily.

Colonel Russel and myself went on the bridge, with Captain Thompson and First-Officer Duane, until we reached High Island, just after 2 o'clock.

Captain Thompson ran the ship in to within fifty yards of High Island, and circled it; the four of us scoured the surface of the island with our glasses, picking out in detail every rock and stone. Nothing was to be seen, but a flock of sheep and the ruins of an old house.

There was absolutely no place where a boat could land. The cliffs, except for one spot, ran up sheer from the seas, and the heavy Atlantic breakers made it impossible to put out a boat.

After about thirty-five minutes we made for Caher Island, which is situated four miles from Inishturk Island to the north-east.

At about 4.15 p.m. we dropped anchor less than fifty yards off the north-east coast. There was only one possible landing place in a small rock-bounded cove, with a boulder strewn beach.

The wind was very strong, but Captain Thompson decided to send out the small ship's boat, with three men rowing, with Col. Russell and First Officer Duane on board.

They made for the little cove, and found a little ledge of rock, on which it was possible to jump from the boat.

Col. Russell and Mr. Duane made the jump safely, and the little boat stood out to wait for them. They searched the island thoroughly for an hour, and then returned to the boat.

So concluded the first search of one of the islands, on which it was hoped that survivors of the Cardigan Castle would be found.

One rather curious thing they found was the leg of a sheep, with all the flesh eaten off, save for scraps of the knee and hoof. It was about a week old, and was lying on the top of the hill.

Mr. Duane, however, thought that it had been eaten by others, of which these islands are known to have a fair number.

The only other animals on the island was a herd of cattle. Trawlers frequently bring out cattle and sheep, and put them on these small islands, which have plenty of good grass and water, and leave them there for a couple of months or more to fatten.

It was then about 5.30, and Captain Thompson considered that as the moon was out, and heavy weather was coming up, to get back to the shelter of Clifden Bay. We had hardly left the shelter of the islands on our way back, when we ran into a gale from the west north-west.

The ship pitched and rolled appallingly. To get back to Clifden, Captain Thompson took a short cut through some very dangerous rocks, and his superb seamanship and knowledge of the coast brought us to safety through the heavy storm, in which the decks were awash most of the time.

DRAMATIC INCIDENT.

SAILOR BROTHERS MEET.

A dramatic incident occurred in Castlebar on Saturday, when Harry Bachelor, the only known survivor of the Cardigan Castle, met his brother, who had travelled all the way from Kerry to see the bodies of the two men which had been washed ashore, as he feared that one of them might be that of his brother.

The two bodies were removed to the mortuary in Castlebar, and on Friday night Mr. W. E. Davies, Swansea, one of the managers of the Consolidated Fishing Company, arrived from Swansea, for the purpose of identifying them. Accompanied by Sergeant Herbert Glynn, of the Civic Guard, he went to the mortuary and identified them as those of George R. Russell, wireless operator, and Ed. Lewis, second engineer.

Later Mr. James Bachelor, mate of the Dunraven Castle, arrived from Kerry to see the bodies. Having satisfied himself that neither was the body of his brother he left the mortuary, and soon after learned that his brother was safe in Westport.

On Saturday morning Henry Bachelor arrived at Castlebar, but his brother had previously gone in search of him to Louisburgh, and it was not until he returned that he had the gratification of meeting his brother.

Messrs. Davies and Tennant warmly congratulated Harry Bachelor on his wonderful escape from death. He told them that he believed that he was the only survivor.

Mr. Davies desired to express his very grateful thanks to the Irish people for their kindness to the survivors of the Tenby Castle and their care and attention of Bachelor.

SURVIVOR'S RECOLLECTIONS.

Henry Bachelor discussed his escape with Sergeant Glynn, who, by the way, was a former shipmate of his brother, Captain Bachelor. The heroism of Operator Russell, he said, was sublime. He was the last man to come on deck after he had sent his last "S.O.S." Bachelor said that he asked the men to jump for their boat, but it had drifted some distance, and they hesitated. Russell, he thought, would in all probability have been with him, were it not that he went to get a lifebelt.

Bachelor jumped into the water with his sea boots on. Removing the boots in the water he got into the boat, which was then one hundred feet away. He saved the life of the captain's little black Pomeranian dog by taking it into the boat. He kept shouting for his comrades, but in the noise of the sea his voice was not heard.

During the night he lapsed into unconsciousness and lay in the back of the boat. On recovering he found himself very weak. The dog began to cry, and Batchelor looked around and saw land in the distance. He tried to get up, but fell back exhausted.

KINDLY ISLANDERS.

Later he saw a boat and men waving their hands. He was unable to respond, but the dog ran wildly about the boat. The brave Clare islanders subsequently took him in tow and brought him to the island, where they tended him with the greatest care.

"I can never," he said, "forget their kindly Irish hearts, and may God bless them."

BODIES TAKEN TO WALES.

SOLE SURVIVOR LEAVES FOR HIS HOME.

An affecting scene was witnessed at Galway Docks in the early hours of Saturday morning when the simple oak and brass-mounted coffins containing the bodies of G. W. Russell, the wireless operator of the Cardigan Castle, and of E. J. Lewis, the second engineer, were taken from the Morgue to a small motor trawler which conveyed them to the Caerphilly Castle, in the Galway Bay Roads, in order to be taken to Swansea.

Captain Samuel Frank Richards, the skipper of the Caerphilly Castle, who had come in to take the bodies home, was visibly affected, as was James Batchelor, mate of the Dunraven Castle, a brother of Henry Batchelor. James Batchelor had been three hundred miles out at sea in the Dunraven Castle when he received the news by wireless that his brother's trawler had struck a rock. He had travelled night and day to reach Westport in order, as he thought, that he might identify the remains of his brother. The bodies were taken to Galway from Westport by motor on Saturday night, accompanied by Mr. Davis, the representative of the Consolidated Steam Fishing and Ice Co., Ltd., of Swansea, which owns twenty-nine fishing trawlers, and Mr. R. A. Tennant, Lloyd's agent. In the said *cortège* also travelled the Batchelor brothers.

SHIPWRECKED SPANISH CREW.

The crew of the Spanish ship, Cirile Amaras, wrecked near Stradbally, on the Waterford coast, have left the village on the way to their homes in Barcelona, Spain. The captain of the ship spoke in the most affecting terms of the kindness which he and his men received at the hands of the County Waterford people, declaring that he had never experienced so much kindness in his life. He would always remember it.

AGROUND IN LOUGH FOYLE.

The coaster Pearl, which ran aground in Lough Foyle, last Friday, remains fast. The vessel is safe, and will probably be re-floated to-morrow.

MAIL VAN ROBBERY.

£2,000 MISSING.

From Our Own Correspondent.

CARRICK-ON-SHANNON, Saturday.

It now transpires that in the raid on the motor mail van outside Carrick-on-Shannon a week ago, the four registered packets addressed to the National Bank at the Drumshambo Branch, which were carried off by the raiders, contained £2,000, made up of £1,000 in single notes and 200 £5 notes.

They were notes which had been already in circulation, and as no numbers were kept it will be almost impossible to trace the culprits.

It would appear that the raiding party were in quest of this money, as when they stopped the mail van they demanded the Drumshambo mail bag.

Civic Guards and detectives are trying to trace the culprits, and have searched farm houses in Leitrim and Roscommon, but so far their efforts have met with little success.

KILLED IN CYCLE COLLISION.

A serious accident occurred last Saturday night about six miles from Bridgnorth.

Four motor cyclists, named Rochelle, Roberts, Bevan and Hunt, were riding from Wolverhampton when the lamp on Rochelle's machine fell off. He immediately turned across the roadway to go back, when Roberts, who was following, collided. Both were thrown, and Rochelle, a farmer's son, aged about twenty-three, who lived with his parents at Bromley, near Bridgnorth, sustained serious injuries, from which he died almost immediately. Roberts, a farm pupil, who lived with Rochelle, was very seriously injured and was removed to the Bridgnorth Hospital, where he remains in a critical condition.

AMERICA'S TELEPHONIC SUPREMACY.

GREAT BRITAIN FIFTH.

NEW YORK (by Mail).

That the people of the United States were using 16,935,918 telephones at the start of 1926, an increase of 853,160 over a year ago, is shown by figures soon to be published by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. For every hundred of the population there are 14.7 telephones.

The European country coming the closest to competing with the United States in telephone use is Sweden, with 418,318 at the start of 1925, or 6.9 per 100 of population. Switzerland follows with 189,429, or 4.8 to 100 persons; then Germany, with 2,385,177, or 3.9; Great Britain, with 1,260,242, or 2.7 per 100; France, 694,937, or 1.7; Italy, 175,927, or 0.4.—(Reuter.)

The English pottery trade is the master of every technical resource, but it persistently ignores, save in a few marked cases, that recourse to the artist for the best models which is a commonplace practice of its European rivals.—Sir Lawrence Weaver.

It is important to America and the world that her racial character should not be further adulterated by the influx of races which cannot be assimilated.—Mr. James M. Beck.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS ADMINISTRATION.

MR. DEVLIN AND MR. H. M. POLLOCK.

We have received from the *Irish News*, Belfast, copies of correspondence between Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., and Mr. H. M. Pollock, Minister of Finance in Northern Ireland, on the subject of old age pensions, which the *Irish News* prints to-day.

The first letter of the series is dated February 11th, and is written by Mr. Pollock to Mr. Devlin. In it Mr. Pollock acknowledges the receipt of a number of letters addressed to Mr. Devlin, and goes on to say:—"While I am always ready to have the fullest investigation made into any case of maladministration of the Old-Age Pensions Act, yet I rather hesitate to institute inquiries into the ordinary every-day complaints which one always expects from people who have but a very superficial knowledge of the Acts, and who naturally feel aggrieved if they do not receive everything which they have claimed."

Mr. Pollock adds:—"I am a little afraid that if I appear constantly to be criticising the pension officers by calling for reports, I may be discouraging them in their praiseworthy efforts to give to each case the full and sympathetic attention which is now their general practice. You will probably agree with me that it will usually be best for you in the first instance to suggest to correspondents writing about their pensions that they should first of all get into touch with their local pension officer, and explain their grievances fully, when I am sure they will receive all the attention which could be desired. Of course, I will always readily have any exceptional case investigated from here, but if possible I should like to make such investigations the exception rather than the rule."

To that letter Mr. Devlin replies under date February 16th. He says that he read it "with feelings of surprise, bordering on amazement," and he goes on:—"Whenever my help has been sought I have felt it my duty to make representations on behalf of those concerned, and to submit the case to the department concerned. This is the first time that any department has sought to curb my activities in this direction and to restrain me in the discharge of what I consider an obvious duty in the case of a Parliamentary representative."

IN THE LAST RESORT.

After stating that the cases to which he calls attention are brought forward only in the last resort, Mr. Devlin says:—"Your reluctance to call on pensions officers for reports in regard to the grievances of people who have been denied the old age pension, raises quite a novel theory in regard to the relations between heads of departments and their staffs. You declare yourself 'a little afraid' that by appearing to criticise these officers by asking for such reports you will 'discourage them in their praiseworthy efforts,' etc. I always thought the contrary was the case. There is at any rate a widely-prevailing belief that staffs do their work best who feel that they are acting under the scrutiny of those in command. . . .

"I am afraid that I cannot accept the new code that you attempt to set up for the guidance of members of Parliament. It involves serious considerations of far-reaching importance. . . To tell the disappointed applicant for an old age pension to go back to the pension officer does not appeal to me, even though I have your assurance that the applicant who has appealed to me 'will receive all the attention that could be desired.' That, I would consider a humiliating attitude for any Parliamentary representative. . . I will bring all legitimate grievances, of the *bona fides* of which I have satisfied myself, before the proper department. If my representations do not obtain the satisfaction to which I am entitled, I will take the matter into the Parliament House and will avail myself of all the forms of the House to secure redress."

Mr. Devlin, in a postcript, proposes to send the correspondence to the Press.

PUBLICATION SANCTION.

A reply from Mr. Pollock, dated February 18, points out that his letter of February 11 appears to have been misunderstood. It disclaims any desire to prevent members of Parliament from calling attention to cases, in which, after personal inquiries, they think that old age pensioners or others are labouring under a disadvantage, but says:—

"To make representations on cases which a little preliminary inquiry would show were obviously outside the scope of the regulations, leads to unnecessary inquiries and waste of time on the part of the officials concerned. I have no objection to the publication of the correspondence . . . ."

Mr. Devlin's final letter is dated February 20. In it he writes:—

"You suggest that in some cases a little preliminary inquiry would show that they were 'obviously outside the scope of the regulations.' In the same sentence you put forward as the gravamen of your complaint that such neglect by a representative like myself 'leads to unnecessary inquiries and waste of time on the part of the officials concerned.' So what would merely be 'a little preliminary inquiry' on the part of a member of Parliament would be an 'unnecessary inquiry and waste of time' on the part of an official who is paid to do his work.

"What is obvious is, that officials of your department resent having to do the work for which they are paid. . . . Is it seriously contended by you, as a responsible Minister, that I, as a Member of Parliament, should do the work of your officials? That is the only conclusion that I can come to. If that is the case, better it should be plainly stated. . . Let me say at once that my protest is chiefly directed against the attempt of any section of official bureaucracy to control the Government, and through the Government, to control members of Parliament."

TO ALLEVIATE SQUALOR.

SALARY SACRIFICE TO BUY SLUMS IN ETON.

Because of prohibitive costs, it is stated, no houses have been built during the last seven years at Eton, where slums are growing up quickly by reason of overcrowding and the insanitary and dilapidated condition of property.

In the hope of alleviating the insanitary conditions, Mr. E. A. Bell, an assistant master at the College, has offered to give one-tenth of his salary towards a fund for the acquisition of slum property in Eton if others will do the same. His generous offer is the subject of much interest in the town and College.

THE LATE COLONEL GILBERT NUGENT.

The remains of Colonel Gilbert L. Nugent, of Jamestown Court, were laid to rest in the family vault at Castletowngeoghegan on Saturday.

The attendance at the funeral, representing all creeds and classes, was the largest seen in Westmeath for many years. It was a striking tribute to the popularity of the late Colonel.

The chief mourners were—The Misses Nugent (two) (daughters); Major O'Hara, Mornington (brother-in-law); Mrs. Fitz-Gerald and Awley Banon (cousins).

Among the general public were—Captain A. G. Adamson, Captain R. W. Bayley, Captain Grant, Major Roche Kelly, Captain H. Bayley, Dr. O. P. Kerrigan, Mr. Norman Field, M.F.H., Knockdrin Castle, and Mrs. Field; Messrs. J. H. Locke, C. J. Clibborn, Henry A. S. Upton, L. H. Fetherstonhaugh, H. D. Tyacke, C. V. Porter, Mullingar; Thomas F. Noonby, Robert Downes, John H. Gibson, Captain R. Smyth, Neil Hannon, C. W. Johnston, A. E. Joyce, J. Hope, W. K. Blake, Colonel Purdon Winter, T. Downes, L. Hutchinson, P. Hand, Dermot Shaw, E. C. D. Colgan, P. Cleary.

The Rev. Father Coyle, Castletowngeoghegan, officiated.

MOTOR 'BUS IN FLAMES.

A motor 'bus, in which twenty-six passengers were travelling from Beverley to Hull last Saturday night, caught fire a few miles from Beverley. The 'bus was within a short distance of the village of Woodmansey, when the engine back-fired. The carburettor was set on fire, and the flames exploded the petrol tank. The passengers were immediately warned of their danger by the driver, John Henry Heath. The emergency door was thrown open, and all the passengers safely alighted on the roadway.

The 'bus was completely destroyed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

FLOUR-MILLING IN IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The recent pronouncement by the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, in which he was reported as forecasting import duties on grain and possibly on flour, followed by the temporary stoppage of certain Irish mills, has given rise to statements in the Press of a misleading character. These statements refer to the wholesale "dumping" of foreign flour, which is assigned as the reason for Irish millers stopping their manufacture, and are obviously intended to influence the Government and the public in favour of preferential treatment for Irish milling interests by means of a tariff on imported flour.

In a matter of such importance to the country, involving, as it might do, a further rise in the cost of living, mis-statements should not be allowed to go unchallenged, and, therefore, with your permission, the writer would like to make the following remarks:—

There is at present a general depression in the flour-milling industry, which is not confined to Ireland. A number of English mills have also closed temporarily, owing to the accumulation of stocks, as can be seen by reading the trade journals; and reference is made to this fact in the Chicago wheat market report of 17th inst., as it appeared in the *Irish Times*. In the case of our Irish mills any accumulation of flour stocks is caused simply by smallness of demand, which appears to be primarily due to the bumper potato crop of 1925; and the Irish trade of the importing millers has suffered in proportion for the same reason. In this connection a published statement on the stoppage of a large English mill gave the potato crop as a contributory cause.

There is no "dumping" of flour in Ireland. The term "dumping" has always been understood to mean that goods are landed in a country whether demand exists or not, or that goods are landed and sold under cost of production. British-milled flour is not "dumped." It is offered and sold at the market price of the day—that is, a price based on the actual price of wheat ruling—and, more often than not, it is dearer than the prices asked by Irish millers for their product. Owing to the fact that British millers follow the movements of the wheat market more closely than Irish millers, their prices fluctuate more widely, and thus they are occasionally cheaper; but, on the whole, it is quality rather than price that tells in their favour, and Irish bakers are accustomed to pay a premium of many shillings *per* sack for high grade (imported) flours which they cannot obtain at home.

The English manufacturer of flour is already taxed to the extent of 3s. or 4s. *per* sack, as he has to pay the cost of carrying the flour from his mill to the Irish port. The Irish miller has not this expense to bear; therefore, he should be able to beat the English in price, since both buy their wheats in the same market and at practically the same prices. It follows that, if the Irish miller does not beat his English competitor in price, it is because he wants too much profit. He now wants a duty on imported flour, and the only reason for this that one can conceive is to enable him squeeze more out of the Irish consumer; for in the end it is the consumer that has to bear the brunt of a tax put on any article.

The tax on British-milled flour, by its having to bear the cost of transport from the mill to the Irish port, equals approximately one halfpenny *per* 4lb. loaf. If a tariff of 3s. *per* sack were imposed, it would mean another halfpenny increase in the cost of the loaf, and the Irish consumer, rich and poor alike, would have to pay one penny more per loaf for his bread than the consumer in England. In short, the Irish consumer will be paying more money for his flour and bread, and the difference, or the major part of it, will find its way into the pockets of the Irish millers. If the Englishman commences to retaliate by placing a duty on Irish bacon, Irish butter, Irish beef, Irish mutton, it is the Irish producer that will have again to bear the brunt, because the retailer in England of Irish produce will not be able to pass the tax on to the consumer. The free competition from other countries will not allow him to do so.

It has been suggested that a tariff on imported flour would not necessarily mean an increase in flour prices; that the whole of our requirements could be milled in Ireland, and that larger quantities of bran and pollard would thus be available for feeding purposes. These are specious arguments, and figures are given which purport to substantiate them; but during the Great War period, under the food control scheme, it was demonstrated in practice that the whole of the Irish mills, working full time, could not provide more than 60 *per cent.* of the flour requirements of this country. As for the question of mill stuffs for feeding purposes, Irish port millers have been known, even quite recently, to ship accumulations of bran and pollard out of the country at very low prices, in order to keep up their prices at home, rather than make these commodities cheap and plentiful. Here again theory is found to be in conflict with actual practice, and we get an instance of the attitude towards the consumer of our home millers, for whom State aid by way of a tariff is now advocated. What is the idea behind this propaganda, if it is not to eliminate competition and leave the Irish consumer practically in the hands of a monopoly?—Yours, etc.,

"INTERESTED."

Co. Limerick, February 19th, 1926.

THE EDGEWORTH FAMILY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—Carlyle gives the following account of Professor Edgeworth's father in "The Life of John Sterling":—

"Among the quondam Cambridge acquaintances I have seen with Sterling about this time, one struck me, less from his qualities than from his name and genealogy: Frank Edgeworth, youngest son of the well-known Lovell Edgeworth, youngest brother of the celebrated Maria Edgeworth, the Irish novelist. Frank was a short, neat man; of sleek, square, colourless face (resembling the portraits of his father), with small blue eyes in which twinkled curiously a joyless smile; his voice was croaky and shrill, with a tone of shrewish obstinacy in it, and perhaps of sarcasm withal. A composed, dogmatic, speculative, exact, and not melodious man. He was learned in Plato and likewise in Kant; well-read in philosophies and literatures; entertained not creeds, but the Platonic or Kantean ghosts of creeds; coldly sneering away from him, in the joyless twinkle of those eyes, in the inexorable jingle of that shrill voice, all manner of Toryisms, superstitions; for the rest, a man of perfect vivacity, of great diligence, and other worth—notable to see alongside of Sterling. . . This good little Edgeworth had roved extensively about the Continent; had married a young Spanish wife, whom by a romantic accident he came upon in London: having really good scholarship, and consciousness of faculty and fidelity, he now hoped to find support in preparing young men for the university, in taking pupils to board; and with this view, was endeavouring to form an establishment somewhere in the environs—ignorant that it is mainly the clergy whom simple persons trust with that trade at present; that his want of a patent of orthodoxy, not to say his inexorable secret heterodoxy of mind, would far override all other qualifications in the estimate of simple persons, who are afraid of many things, and are not afraid of hypocrisy, which is the worst and one irremediably bad thing. Poor Edgeworth tried this business for a while, but found no success at all; went across, after a year or two, to native Edgeworthstown, in Longford, to take the management of his brother's estate; in which function it was said he shone, and had quite given up philosophies and speculations, and became a taciturn, grim landmanager and county magistrate, likely to do much good in that department; when we learned next that he was dead, that we should see him no more. The good little Frank!"

In "The French Revolution" Carlyle tells all that the Abbé Edgeworth did for Louis the Sixteenth at the last. Carlyle was what is called in Ireland "a crooked disciple"; but Froude makes him out to be worse than he was. An Irish wife would have tamed him instead of killing herself for him, as Jane Welsh did, although one of her forbears was John Knox, and another was the original of Meg Merrilies—two people not easily to be henpecked or cockpecked.—Yours, etc.,

"K."

Queen's County, February 20th, 1926.

APPEALS TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—I read with much interest Mr. Adams's letter in your issue of Friday last under the caption "Appeals to the Privy Council." Is he not, however, going somewhat beyond the mark in suggesting that the pendency of a case for which permission has been given to appeal to the Privy Council precludes comment on the constitutional point whether, in fact, any appeal now lies to the Crown from Free State citizens? It is, perhaps, even questionable whether, in our altered circumstances, the old rule as to comment any longer applies; but, whatever objection there might be to discussing the actual matters at issue in a case that was pending, there seems to be no reasonable objection to considering the side-issue of a purely constitutional point.—Yours, etc.,

"CIVIL SERVANT."

Dublin, February 20th, 1926.

HOW TO ELIMINATE LOCAL STATIONS.

FOR "LISTENERS-IN" WHO USE VALVE SETS.

(By Thomas K. Turpin.)

[On January 14th our contributor told readers how to decide on a "listening in" set, explaining the properties of crystal and valve apparatus. Many "listeners in," who wish to use their valve sets to listen to programmes "broadcasted" from overseas stations, have asked for instructions on how to avoid "jambing" by the local station. Our contributor now explains how to construct "wave traps" for this purpose.]

Residents in the neighbourhoods around Dublin and Belfast are finding that the operation of a "broadcasting" station at close range is not an unmixed blessing. It gives all a chance of enjoying "radio" reception with the humble crystal set, when living within a radius of twenty miles or so; but things are not so pleasant for the user of a valve set, for he is bound to have considerable difficulty in eliminating the local station and receiving other stations as before commencement of local broadcasting. I propose now to explain how to eliminate Dublin or Belfast when desired.

The ordinary circuit is not sufficiently selective to cut out a local station when operated within a mile or so of that station, so it is necessary to employ what is known as a "wave trap." This is a device connected between aerial "lead in" and aerial terminal of the set. The "wave trap" absorbs the unwanted signal, and permits required signals to pass on to the receiving set. Generally speaking, these traps consist of an inductance and capacity (coil and condenser) in parallel, and it is on the "low loss" properties of the coil that the success or otherwise of the trap depends.

The average amateur will not have the necessary means for winding a "low loss" coil, but he can make up a trap by having a coil wound on a cylindrical former of cardboard or vulcanite that certainly will improve matters. For elimination of Dublin, he should wind 32 turns of No. 18 gauge double cotton covered wire on a 3½ or 4 inch former, making provision for a tapping at the seventh and tenth turns from the beginning by looping out and twisting the wire together and then continuing the winding till 32 turns have been wound on. A fixed condenser (Therla) having a value of .0005 and a variable air dialectric condenser of the same value are to be connected across the beginning and end of the coil.

Furthermore, the beginning of the winding is to be connected to the aerial terminal of the set and one of the tappings to the aerial "lead in"; the most suitable tapping point being found by experiment, as this will depend on the aerial and location of the set. When the best point has been determined all can be permanently connected up and mounted in a small cabinet.

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS.

There are just a few points of importance which should be noted. In operating the trap, the local station is to be tuned in to maximum strength with the variable condenser set at zero; then this condenser is adjusted till signals disappear, or almost so. Reaction is brought up till the set is just off oscillation and the desired station tuned in. Slight alteration of the trap adjustment will then eliminate the unwanted station, after which final adjustments are made on the set.

Reaction adjustment with a trap of this type is very critical, and a little experience in operation is necessary to obtain the best results. Do not condemn the trap if you do not obtain perfect elimination at first, but rather try till you obtain the best results. The importance of having the tapping point correct cannot be overestimated, and, briefly, the rule is this—The more turns included between beginning of coil and tapping point, the more perfect will be elimination, but the loss of strength of other stations at close wave lengths will be greater. The less the number of turns included the smaller will be the amount of elimination, but strength of other stations will be maintained. I have used as few as four turns before the tap and as many as fourteen, ten being a good average value.

Again the total number of turns in the coil is of importance, and varies between 25 and 40. The number should be such that cutting out of the unwanted station occurs at 140 to 160 degrees on the variable condenser. If elimination takes place below 140 degrees, a few turns must be removed from the coil at the finishing end, and the correct number found by trial. Within moderately wide limits of the correct values the trap will work, but to obtain *maximum* results experiment is necessary.

In place of having fixed and variable condensers in parellel, the coil may consist of 40 turns, tuned by a .0005 variable condenser alone, the tapping point being located as explained; but I strongly advise the use of fixed and variable condensers, having a combined value of .001 as explained. In wave traps the rule is to have the smallest possible number of turns in the coil and the greatest amount of capacity.

REFLEX CIRCUITS.

In reflex circuits a single valve is made to function as H.F. and L.F. amplifier, with the resultant economy of a valve, and reflex circuits are quite good, although never as selective as straight circuits. A favourite combination is a single valve and crystal, which gives remarkable results. Such a circuit is especially valuable when it is desired to use a loud speaker within, say, ten miles of a local station and to increase signal strength at upwards of twenty miles of such a station.

With such a circuit, moreover, it is quite possible to receive several of the English stations at fair 'phone strength, and, of course, Daventry. The incoming impulses are first strengthened by the valve, then rectified by the crystal, and finally amplified at audio frequency once more by the valve used in conjunction with a low frequency transformer. Arrangement of reaction with such a circuit, however, is difficult, as this can only be arranged magnetically between the anode and aerial coils, with the result that each variation of reaction considerably varies the tuning of both condensers, and this unfortunate circumstance makes the set awkward to handle.

Excellent results can be obtained, however, with a crystal valve reflex in skilled hands, and skill comes with very little practice.

SOME INQUIRIES ANSWERED.

In response to those who have written, asking whether the addition of a stage of L.F. amplification after a crystal will improve matters as regards volume, I may point out that where the receiving set is operated at not more than 30 miles from the transmitting station, improvement will result. Beyond this distance little improvement will be noticed, and it will be found that H.F. amplification will be required in addition to, or in substitution of, L.F.

For "loud speaker" results even close to a broadcasting station two stages of low frequency amplification will be required, and, as this means two valves, it is preferable to construct a set on the lines of Mr. Scott Taggart's S.T. 100, which is a reflex, having a stage of H.F. and two stages of L.F., using a crystal and two valves.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S HEALTH.

ROME, Saturday.

In order to refute the reports which have recently been current concerning the health of Signor Mussolini, to-day's newspapers reproduce a number of photographs of the Italian Prime Minister mounted on horseback. The newspapers add that for some days past Signor Mussolini has resumed his usual horse exercise.—(Reuter.)

The cemetery at Stahnsdorf, near Berlin, for the burial of British soldiers who died in captivity in the war, is now full, and holds 1,186 graves. In the middle a big cross of English stone has been erected.

Four blind typists are to be employed by the L.C.C.

20,000,000 FRANCS.

WHAT FOREIGNERS COST FRANCE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS,

The presence of more than 3,000,000 foreigners within the French boundaries—658,543 were known to be in the Department of the Seine on January 1—is bringing another serious problem before the French Government. It is computed that under normal conditions these foreigners cost France some 20,000,000 francs, to say nothing of the expenses caused by criminals and the sick. Of the former class, 4,839 were arrested last year, while it is claimed that 10,000,000 francs were spent on the 422,500 citizens of other countries who were sick in France.

The number of foreigners is rapidly increasing each year, according to official figures, which state that against the 736,000 workers from other countries in 1921, there were 1,396,000 in 1924, and 2,000,000 in 1925. The number of foreigners arrested increased from 3,094 in 1923, to 4,839 in 1925.

As a remedy, it has been suggested that three measures be taken—sanitary examinations at French ports and frontiers; the collection of contributions from foreigners in France for public charity; and the establishment by wealthy foreign colonies of private organisations for the aid of citizens of their own countries.

MILITANT SOCIALISM.

BOLDER POLICY SUGGESTED.

The preliminary agenda for the annual conference of the Independent Labour Party at Whitley Bay at Easter was issued in London last Saturday. The National Council are giving a lead to the party in the direction of a bolder Socialist and international policy, the purpose being to combine a militant spirit with constructive proposals.

One of the most important of the resolutions on the function and policy of the I.L.P. is headed "Socialism in our time." It reads as follows:—

"The I.L.P. sets before itself the object of winning Socialism for this generation. The scourge of unemployment, the failure of capitalist industry to reorganise itself after the shock of the Great War, our daily experience of the intensified struggle between the possessing classes and the workers are proof that the old order is breaking down. This situation demands a conscious and resolute Socialist policy, planned deliberately to carry us rapidly through the period of transition from the old to the new civilisation. The I.L.P., therefore, renews its determination to work for Socialism, in a spirit at once militant and constructive, in every sphere in which the necessary changes in society must take place."

Another resolution runs:—"The I.L.P. believes that the Socialist policy should be concentrated upon a direct attack on poverty. It asserts that the workers have the first claim upon the wealth of the nation, and denies the claim of those who live by owning instead of working. The semi-starvation wages now paid are not only an intolerable evil in themselves; they are the immediate cause of the extensive unemployment. The machines stand idle because the masses lack the means to buy. The I.L.P. urges that the whole Labour movement should, therefore, bend all its energies to the achievement of a national living wage, which would ensure for the workers adequate food, clothing and housing, and the essentials of civilisation. The I.L.P. sees in the living wage a first demand for justice, with the power, if we follow its logic with courage, to carry us rapidly towards the realisation of a Socialist State."

DEMAND FOR CAPITAL LEVY.

The National Council has also tabled a resolution expressing the view that the Labour Party in Parliament should not be satisfied with opposing the actions of the Government, but should seek any and every opportunity of asserting the demand for a living wage, and of advocating the broad Socialist programme, through which alone it can be realised." The National Council also urge that Labour should stand behind every group of underpaid workers who struggle to attain the standard of civilisation demanded as a national minimum.

In a series of resolutions on banking and finance the demand for a capital levy is revived.

Other resolutions express a determined opposition to militarism and war, and a belief in internationalism, based on the co-operation of free peoples.

A number of branch resolutions relate to the attitude of the Labour Party if it has again the opportunity to take office. Two of these are as follows:—

"This Conference is of opinion that the Labour Party should retain freedom to take office should the opportunity occur, with or without a majority in Parliament."

"That, when the Labour Party again takes office, which shall only be done with the consent of a National Conference, members of the I.L.P. in the party shall stand or fall by the full Socialist programme."

Unemployment is the subject of a long resolution urging the demand for work or maintenance. It proposes the reinstatement of all unemployed in the unemployed register for benefit, and the immediate abolition of the gap; and that all unemployed workers over sixty, who are out of work, shall be entitled to adequate maintenance pensions. The cost of these proposals is to be met from a graded increase in the income, super-tax, and death duties.

Llanelly is to propose that the party shall move the acceptance of the affiliation of the Communist Party to the Labour Party.

LAPSED FOR TWO YEARS.

PUBLICAN'S APPLICATION IN OVER-LICENSED TOWN.

Giving his decision in regard to an application for a new licence on behalf of Peter Walsh, who had allowed his licence to lapse for two years while negotiations, which finally broke down, were being carried on for the sale of his premises in O'Connell street, Dungarvan, for which he had been offered £1,700, Judge Sealy, at Dungarvan Circuit Court, said:—"This is an application for a licence that may cost the State one or two thousand pounds. I find there is one public-house in Dungarvan for every sixty inhabitants, and the average is one for eight hundred inhabitants. Why, this is one of the most over-licensed towns in Ireland. I could not listen to this application for one moment."

ALLEGED HOSPITAL NEGLECT.

The Committee of the Central Hospital, Galway, investigated the charges of neglect brought against the nursing staff in connection with the death of a patient named Folon, who, after leaving the institution, told his medical attendant, Dr. O'Regan, of Connemara, that he had been left to bleed "almost to death," and that, although he had repeatedly rang for a nurse, no one attended him.

The Committee had an order recorded on the minutes that there was no foundation for the charge of neglect alleged against the staff.

CRICKET.

M.C.C. V. DEMERARA.

GEORGETOWN, February 20.

The M.C.C. team to-day continued their return match against Demerara, in the presence of about 3,000 spectators, and were all out for 385. The weather was fine. Calthorpe played beautiful cricket, scoring nine 4's and a 6. Scores:—

M.C.C.—First Innings.

Holmes c. Fernandez b. Jemmott	0
Smith b. Neblett	[illegible]
Watson b. Goddard	54
Captain T. O. Jameson c. Jemmott b. Goddard	6
Astill c. and b. Dare	44
Hon. H. L. Tennyson run out	2
Hammond c. Dare b. Jemmott	111
Calthorpe c. Jemmott b. Hunter	64
Crawley b. Jemmott	26
Root b. Neblett	0
Kilner not out	12
Extras	14
Total	385

DEMERARA—First Innings.

Neblett c. Calthorpe b. Root	4
Reid l.b.w. b. Root	13
Dare b. Jameson	41
Wight b. Astill	19
Phillips b. Hammond	0
Browne b. Kilner	13
Fernandez not out	32
Extras	9
Total (6 wkts.)	135

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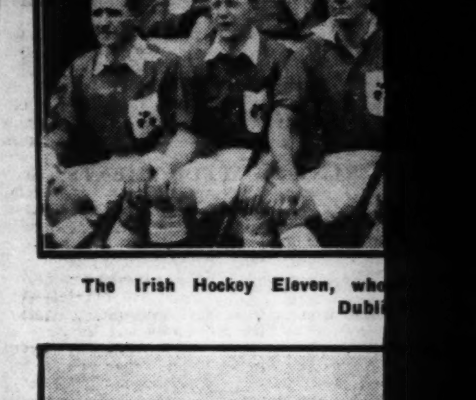

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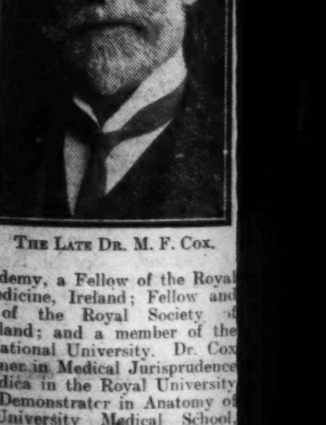

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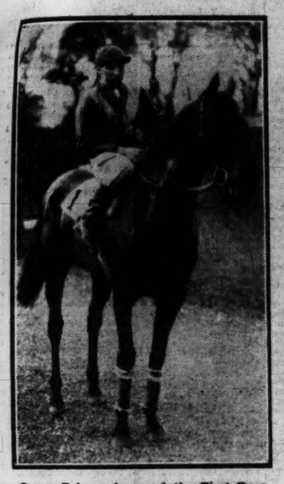

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General Sir Bryan Mahon and Lady Mahon at Leopardstown Races.

The Irish Hockey Eleven, who were beaten by Wales at Park avenue, Dublin, last Saturday.

The Victorious Welsh Hockey Team.

An incident in last Saturday's Hockey International Match between Ireland and Wales.

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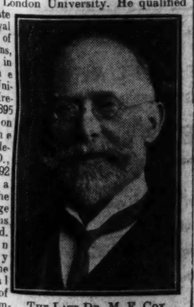

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A member of the National Literary Society, Dr. Cox frequently delivered lectures to meetings of that body. He was keenly interested in science and literature, and was the author of "The Country and Kindred of Oliver Goldsmith" and "Notes on the History of the Irish Horse."

Dr. Cox was Senior Physician to St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin; Consulting Physician to the Children's Hospital, Temple street, to the Linden Convalescent Home, and to Our Lady's Hospice. In the various positions which he held he contributed to the full the resources of his medical skill and experience, and did much to uphold the dignity and traditions of the Irish medical profession, by whose members he was held in the highest esteem. On the occasion of his election as President of the Royal College of Physicians, Ireland, in 1922, he was presented with a beautiful replica of the Ardagh Cup by his colleagues in St. Vincent's Hospital.

Dr. Cox was a life-long Nationalist, took an active interest in politics, and was a strong supporter of the policy of the late Mr. John Redmond. He married, in 1886, Elizabeth, daughter of William Nolan, Co. Kildare.

SIR LIONEL M'MAHON, BART.

The death occurred on Saturday last at St. Leonard's-on-Sea, Sussex, of Sir Lionel McMahon, Bart., of Mountfield Lodge, Omagh.

Born in 1856, Sir Lionel succeeded his brother, Sir William Samuel McMahon, as fourth Baronet, in 1905. He was educated at Rugby, and served as lieutenant in the 58th Regiment. He was called to the Bar in 1885, and was High Sheriff of County Tyrone in 1914. He married, in 1888, Annie Cecilia Austin-Cooke. Sir Lionel leaves no issue, his sole surviving relative being his sister, Lady Catherine Charlotte Grogan, who was married in 1867 to the late Sir Edward Grogan, Bart. The baronetcy thus becomes extinct.

The first baronet was Sir William McMahon, P.C., Master of the Rolls, who received the title in 1815.

MR. C. H. OLDHAM.

Mr. Charles Hubert Oldham, Professor of National Economics at University College, Dublin, died suddenly at his residence, 5 Victoria terrace, Terenure, Dublin, on Saturday.

Born in 1860, Charles Hubert Oldham was the youngest son of Mr. Eldred Oldham, silk merchant, of Westmoreland street, Dublin. His eldest brother was Mr. Eldred Oldham, an artist of repute, and one of the founders of the Dublin Sketching Club. Mr. Oldham himself was interested in art, particularly in the work of Michael Angelo, and his wife, who survives him, was Fräulein Taesler, a German painter.

Mr. Oldham was educated at Kingstown Grammar School and at Trinity College, Dublin. He became a Scholar of the College in 1879, and in 1882 he graduated with Senior Moderatorship, large gold medal in Experimental Physics, and gold medal in Mathematics.

Mr. Oldham qualified for the law, and after his call to the Bar he had a very good practice on the Northern Circuit. His political activities were responsible for the decline of that practice and the severance of his career with the legal profession.

While in Trinity College he founded the Protestant Home Rule Association, and a little later, in a room over Ponsonby's bookshop, Grafton street, he started the Contemporary Club, which still flourishes in Dublin. He succeeded the Right Honourable W. F. Bailey as lecturer under the Barrington Trust, and in that capacity he addressed audiences all over the country. His success was so notable that on the establishment of the Rathmines School of Commerce he was appointed as its principal. He remained at the head of the school until 1907, when he went to University College, Dublin, as Professor of Commerce, and on Professor Kettle's death in France Mr. Oldham was appointed to the chair of national economics in the College.

Mr. Oldham was an old member, and was this year's President, of the Statistical and Social Enquiry Society of Ireland, and was lecturer and examiner to the Institute of Bankers, in the pages of whose journal some of the most noteworthy of his writings on economic subjects appeared.

Mr. Oldham was a prolific writer of pamphlets, some of which have gained international recognition. One of his most notable publications was "The Interpretation of Irish Statistics," issued only a few months ago. To name only a few of the hundreds of lectures given by him and preserved in pamphlet form, there may be mentioned "The Economic Interests at Stake in the War," "The Woollen Industry of Ireland," "The Economic Development of Ireland," "History of Belfast Shipbuilding," and "The Public Finances of Ireland." He was one of the founders and editors of the *Dublin University Magazine*, and was a regular contributor to *The Economist*. Some of his most valuable works contained in his report of the Special Committee set up by the Dublin Chamber of Commerce to consider the Government of Ireland Bill, 1920.

Mr. Oldham was respected by all for his integrity and sincerity, and even his very frank expression of his opinions brought him no lasting enmities, while students regarded him with affection. For one whose life work was devoted to an abstract branch of knowledge, his general culture was wide, and it found expression in that generosity which was one of his most noted qualities.

TOLD TO "KEEP NIX."

In the Dublin District Court last Saturday, Terence Tyndall, a groom, was bound over by Mr. Cussen, D.J., on a charge of having broken into the shop of Ellen Goodwin at Kilmacud road, Stillorgan, and stolen eggs, cigarettes and sweets (value 13s 9d.) on the 16th inst. He expressed regret for what he had done, and attributed his act to drink.

Alfred Reilly, a boy, who gave evidence that the accused man had asked him to "keep nix," was put on consent, there being no charge brought against him.

FUNERAL OF DR. WILLIAM EDWARD ELLIS.

On Saturday the remains of Dr. William Edward Ellis were interred in Mount Jerome Cemetery, Dublin. The officiating clergy at the chapel and at the graveside were the Most Rev. the Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, and the Rev. Canon Thompson, B.D. The funeral was private, and only the immediate relatives and close personal friends of the late Dr. Ellis were present. Among these were:—Arthur C. Ellis (son); Captain Ernest A. G. Ellis (son-in-law); Robert Charles Ross-Lewin Ellis, and Ernest Edward Francis Ellis (grandsons); a David G. Huggins and Townsend Jolly (brothers-in-law); William T. Jolly and Charles G. Langford (nephews); Geoffrey L. Kennedy, M.A.; Cecil B. Kennedy, M.A.; Robert Russell, S.F.,T.C.D.; Hugh Canning, F.,T.C.D.; F. A. Lowe and M. J. Collins (Hely's, Ltd.), and John P. Curtis. Numerous wreaths from relatives were laid on the grave.

THE WEEK'S AUCTIONS OF FURNITURE AND FINE ARTS.

MONDAY.

9 and 10 Bachelor's Walk (James Hill and Son).

TUESDAY.

47 Upper Leeson street (James H. North and Co.); "Beech View," Burnaby road, Greystones (William Montgomery and Son).

WEDNESDAY.

6 Upper Ormond quay (Bennett and Son); 10 Sandycove avenue, E., Sandycove (John R. Meagher, Sandycove).

THURSDAY.

5 Mayville terrace, Dalkey (Kinsella and Sons, Bray).

FRIDAY.

Shannon Hotel, Castleconnell (A. J. Sexton and Son, Limerick).

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IRISH PLAY FOR LONDON.

"AUTUMN FIRE" GOING TO "Q" THEATRE.

Mr. Leon de Leon has secured Mr. T. C. Murray's three-act play, "Autumn Fire," for early production at the Q Theatre, London. The play, in its published form, has received remarkable tributes of praise from the London critics. "Among Irish writers of peasant drama, after Synge," says *The Times* Literary Supplement, "Mr. Murray holds, perhaps, the most distinguished and individual place. Although his plays are almost all tragic in theme, he has avoided the intensified and narrow realism, which is, as often as not, contrary to life and experience. In 'Autumn Fire' his fine treatment of a painful and even terrible theme is characteristic. . . . . The climax is finely tragic, yet restrained."

"The author shows an uncanny genius," says the *Westminster Gazette*, "for combining realism with the unbargained and the unexpected. I put down the play after reading it, feeling that the characters were as real and substantial as any people I knew. . . . . 'Autumn Fire' is a big achievement."

"A sober, serious play," says the *Manchester Guardian*, "with passions latent, smouldering, flaming, and it develops simply and finely. It is a play with excellent acting parts by a man who knows the theatre."

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

The quarterly meeting of the Dublin members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was held in the Mansion House, Dublin, yesterday, the Right Hon. Monsignor Dunne, Dean, P.P., V.G., presiding. There was an attendance of over 500 active and honorary members.

The report for 1925 stated that the work of the Society had been well maintained in Dublin during the year. Seven new conferences had been inaugurated, and the membership had increased to 1,450. The number of families relieved was 8,500, comprising 34,500 individuals. Over 80,000 personal visits were made by the brothers, and £20,100 was expended in relief. Many instances had been recorded where lax and neglectful Catholics had been successfully induced to return to the full practice of their religion.

TRAVELLING THEATRE'S VISIT.

The Arts League of Service Travelling Theatre, as has already been announced, will visit Ireland on Easter Monday, April 5th, when performances will be given in Rathmines (Dublin) Town Hall, and later in Kingstown Town Hall.

COMMUNITY ADVERTISING.

VALUE OF A MUNICIPAL RATE.

A paper on "Community Advertising" was read at the annual meeting of the General Council of Municipal Authorities in Northern Ireland at Bangor by Mr. James Milliken, Vice-Chairman of the Ulster Tourist Development Association.

At the outset he said that leadership was essential in community building, and before a community could hope to attract outside patronage it must prove its own worth at home.

"There are a million and a quarter persons in Ulster," he said. "To be successful and happy and contented every one of those million and a quarter persons must be interested in, and enthusiastic about, their province. Most of the million and a quarter are proud of their province. Some of them advertise their pride, others do not. The chief reason why they lack enthusiasm about their love for Ulster is because they know so little about their province.

"Permanent building only followed in communities where the people who were permanent patrons and were prepared to give a genuine welcome and to render whole-hearted co-operation to the sojourner attracted to it. There was one danger to be avoided, and that was in overstepping—rushing into the world circle—with advertising before accomplishment and progress at home were actually consummated."

In conclusion, he said:—"I am conscious of the possibilities that await the successful consummation of the plans of the Ulster Tourist Development Association, but these possibilities will only materialise in the event of each unit of the whole working disinterestedly for the benefit of the province as a whole, and I am looking forward with confidence to the time when legislation will have passed through its various stages in our Northern Parliament and given to each municipal authority power to levy a rate which, in turn, will find its way to the common exchequer to be spent on a properly conceived and properly executed advertising campaign, which will result in a gain and a profit to each individual citizen of this enterprising province of Ulster."

ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY OF MUSIC

At the weekly meeting of the Governors of the Royal Irish Academy of Music, held on Wednesday, Commendatore M. Esposito, Mus.D., T.C.D., presiding, it was arranged that the annual distribution of medals and certificates and pupils' concert should be held in the Metropolitan Hall on Thursday, 22nd April next, at 8 p.m., when it is expected that the Governor-General, the President of the Academy, will be present.

Miss Alice O'Hea was unanimously elected a member of the Academy.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

DOUBLE CHANCE FOR ANTHONY.

NATIONAL POINTERS.

CANTER FOR CANOPUS.

A COLOSSAL FAILURE.

From Our Travelling Correspondent.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

The most interesting piece of news affecting the Grand National which I am able to give is that Jack Anthony has definitely accepted the offer Fred Archer has made him to ride Double Chance at Liverpool. This, of course, removes the possibility of the Welsh horseman riding Old Tay Bridge, and Mr. Harry Brown is suggested as a likely jockey for Frank Hartigan's candidate, who is due to run this week at either Newbury or Gatwick.

The choice of Anthony to ride Double Chance has caused some comment, as Major Wilson, who was available to ride again, did so brilliantly when he won on him last March. He had understood, too, that he would have the mount on him in all his races this season, and he rode him on his first appearance at Kempton. It is not every owner who would put afoot the rider who had won the National on his horse one year for another horseman, but Archer, being a professional trainer, probably takes entirely the professional view that he must have the best assistance possible for his horse, and Anthony, who has already won the race three times, has, of course, no superior at Liverpool. All the same, one would think that the man who had won this race last year was good enough to be given a chance to do so again. Double Chance is still keeping sound, and runs again this week.

Much interest is centring in Blackwell's three candidates. As I mentioned last week, I am afraid that Ballinode is not giving her trainer the entire satisfaction which she was doing a month ago. Major Doyle and Mr. Dennis were to have gone to Newmarket this morning to ride a school and on this was to be decided whether either Bright's Boy or Mount Etna, or both, would run in the National Trial Steeplechase at Gatwick on Friday next. It is stated in a Sunday journal this morning that Hogan will ride Mount Etna at Liverpool, but I am inclined to think that if the horse is started in the Grand National Mr. Stratford Dennis will have the mount.

In the good racing which seems likely to take place in the coming week we shall probably see a few interesting things affecting the National. Sprig, as I have stated, is to run for the Newbury Cup Steeplechase on Wednesday, but he is badly handicapped with Top Light, who beat him so easily in the Grand Allies' Steeplechase at Manchester. A curiosity in handicapping is that, whereas here Sprig has to give 5lb. to Top Light, the one-eyed grey is set to give him 11lb. in the National Hunt Handicap Steeplechase at Cheltenham—a difference of 16lb. Old Tay Bridge is in this race, as is Ruddyglow, who is more likely, I understand, to run at Gatwick than attempt to give 19lb. to Top Light.

AN INTERESTING RACE.

That Gatwick race will be the more interesting of the two. Ruddyglow becomes top weight owing to the disappearance of Silvo, who, by the way, is progressing very satisfactorily, as is his jockey, F. B. Rees, who, although he may miss Plumpton, will in all probability be in the saddle again at Newbury. Others engaged are Bright's Boy and Mount Etna, Double Chance, Old Tay Bridge, Ardeen, Red Bee, Misconduct, White Surrey, and Patsey V., all National candidates. We are thus likely to see a very interesting race, and one that should be informative, but discussion of the details of which can be postponed until the night before.

Matters connected with the Lincolnshire Handicap remain very much the same. There was a call-over the card on this race and the Grand National on Friday night, but not much business was done, and the prices quoted form an unreliable guide to the chances of the candidates.

Several trainers who were at Hurst Park on Saturday were greatly pleased with the improvement in the weather conditions, and at least one provincial trainer was telling me that his horses are all about as forward as he usually has them at this time of the year. Although the weather has been bad, it has, he said, in his part of the world, been an open winter, and so he has always been able to keep them trotting and cantering and all of them ready to go into strong work when an opportunity offers. Probably all the leading trainers have returned from their holidays and are at work again, and a number of owners who have been wintering abroad were at Hurst Park yesterday, so things are beginning to move at last.

Mr. Beer, by the way, was telling me that he was immensely pleased, on his return from Cannes, to find that Diomedes had wintered particularly well, and that he expects he is going to be a greater colt than ever—if that is possible—in the coming season. He may give him a race, such as the Abingdon Place, at Newmarket, in the spring, and will then take on all-comers in the King's Stand Stakes at Ascot and the St. George's Stakes at Goodwood. Furthermore, he hopes to make an attempt to win the Portland Handicap at Doncaster with him again, and argues that as the colt is hardly likely to get more than 10st. he should have a great chance, seeing that he won as a three-year-old with 9st. 2lb.

UNCERTAIN RUMOURS.

It may be emphasised again that all the rumours affecting Lincolnshire candidates should be accepted with caution. Pasha, for instance, has been the subject of a concerted attack, but he is by no means a dead candidate, although I am not going to make oath that he will be Mr. Joel's best. However, if he were, it would not be surprising. Zionist, despite rumours, still semes a "live" force, and there is still nothing I like better in the race. Brighter London has been rather busier of late, and it is certain that nothing will be fitter than the three-year-old, Nothing Venture, if it is decided to let him take his chance.

So far as I can gather, Fred. Darling was not too satisfied with Coronach on his return from his holiday in America, to which he went with Stanley Wootton, but it is impossible to say until the colt goes into strong work to what extent his wind is touched or whether his hock is going to give trouble again. For the moment it would be a little unsafe to regard him as a highly probable Derby winner, or as one who will reproduce this season his brilliant Champagne Stakes form.

There were some very attractive features about the racing at Hurst Park, and a conclusion come to after the race for the Ranelagh Handicap Steeplechase is that the winner, Canopus, is about the best two-mile 'chaser in training. The chestnut son of Royal Canopy has certainly gone a long way since Mr. Bert Rich bought him for 350 gns. after he had won a six-furlong selling race at Wolverhampton in 1922 for Tom Cannon. Martin's stable, in which he has been since, had a couple of sharp reverses at the meeting on Friday, and going for their losses over Canopus, he started a strong favourite. He won in the most delightful style by a length and a half from the useful Jargoon, who was receiving 18lb. and was much fancied.

GOOD FORM OF CANOPUS.

I was misguided enough to think that at the altered weights Holdcroft would reverse the Newbury running with him. Instead Canopus more than confirmed the form, so we must come to the reluctant conclusion that the Wroughton horse is not the brilliant and, on this course, invincible Holdcroft that he used to be. He went off in front as usual, but two from home he was stone cold, and then Ted Leader, who had been moving Canopus up, came away to win with any amount in hand. With Dudley also seeming not to be the horse he was, Canopus seems to stand out by himself at his distance.

We saw another promising young 'chaser in Musteline win the Putney Handicap Steeplechase very easily from Mainsail. French Leave was the better favourite, but Musteline took the lead off him two from home, and, staying on splendidly, won by six lengths. Old Blazing Corn made quite a bold show here and is still to be reckoned with when he has not a good young horse, such as Musteline is, to compete with. Musteline was useless when he ran on the flat in Ireland, but he has such stamina and such size and scope about him that he is quite likely to make a high reputation as a 'chaser over distances of ground.

I have frequently commented this winter on the cases of Early Bird, Mile End and other horses who had been running in selling hurdle races doing well in 'chases. We found a new example here in old Halberdier, who, after being offered for sale before the race and being withdrawn at 800 guineas, came out and won the valuable New Century Steeplechase in brilliant style.

Halberdier was a very good hurdler when Lord Denman owned him and was well fancied to win a Cesarewitch, but he dropped to running in selling races and could not even win one of those. Then he passed into the stable of Dick Payne and, after a rest, he won three good open hurdle events last year. He paid tribute here to the excellent schooling Payne has given him over fences, for he scarcely put a foot wrong, and, after jumping the second last fence, he dashed into the lead and won in a canter by twelve lengths and ten lengths from Civic Guard and Red Cyder. Civic Guard, who is a full brother to the brilliant Town Guard, and Red Cyder, a half-brother to that good steeplechase mare, Habton, are both the makings of good 'chasers, for both are still young horses, and both showed aptitude for jumping.

LOW TIDE'S POOR JUMPING.

The conspicuous and colossal failure of the race was Low Tide. Coulthwaite brought him with the reputation of being a finished jumper, and he was made favourite at evens. In point of fact, his jumping was execrable. The first round he took well, but he foozled each of the three in the straight, and at the open ditch he blundered so badly that only an affectionate embrace round the neck from Foster kept the ex-milkman in the saddle. His speed, however, enabled him to go to the front in the back stretch, but when they came into the straight again he floundered over the first fence, and came a cropper at the second—a most inglorious display on the part of a favourite with such a reputation.

Marksman was the obvious good thing for the Weybridge Handicap Hurdle that was suggested here. The Ring, of course, thought so, too, and it was difficult to get an offer. Duller took him into the lead after they had gone half a mile, and the result was always a foregone conclusion. He won hard held by ten lengths from Great Span, a nice sort of horse, who will win races for Capt. Davis, who trains him at his new quarters near Devizes. Fariray is another who has probably seen his best. He, Rathcoole, and Fantastical were all backed for the National Hunt Flat Race, but the outsider, Bachelor's Call, ridden by his owner, Mr. P. Cockburn, made all the running, and won by six lengths from Rathcoole.

The racing to-morrow afternoon at Plumpton is not of much account. KIRKHARLE should win the Plumpton 'Chase, and Bennett should take the Chailey Hurdle with either WOODEND or TAMASHA, probably the latter. FAIR VIEW looks to have the best chance in the Brighton Handicap 'Chase.

GALTEE MORE.

HURST PARK RESULTS.

1.30—PUTNEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second received 25 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 3 m. 180 yds.
Mr. H. J. Delaforces' ch. c. MUSTELINE, by Marten—Lady Sue, a, 10-10 ......W. Speck 1
Mr. S. C. Wells's MAINSAIL, a, 11-5 F. Gurney 2
Mr. H. Liddell's SANTABEL, a, 10-5 Whelehan 3

Also ran—Blazing Corn (J. Anthony), French Leave (T. Leader), Rockmeadow (Owner), Picture Hall (W. Gurney), Fassaroe (T. Kelly), Hopeful (R. Laye). Off 1.33. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting—"Sporting Chronicle" and "Sporting Life"—3 to 1 agst. French Leave, 4 to 1 each MUSTELINE and Fassaroe, 6 to 1 Blazing Corn, 8 to 1 each Mainsail and Santabel, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by six lengths; same. Blazing Corn was fourth and Picture Hall last.

2.0—TEDDINGTON SELLING HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. B. Warner's b. g. ANNAM, by Annecy—Sampan, a, 12-0 ....J. Anthony 1
Mr. E. Martin's BLACK FOREST, 6, 12-0 G. Pellerin 2
Mrs. Tabor's KING PIPPIN, a, 11-9 T. Morgan 3

Also ran—Dunkirk (S. Ingham), Clymping (C. Rhodes), Deerslayer (T. Chisman), Pottery Boy (Mr. E. Langford), Prince Regent (W. Smyth), Louvoisina (D. Dick), Nous Verrons (W. Crump), Miss Sport (P. O'Hara), Troika (Mr. J. Stevens). Off 2.3. (Winner trained by O. Anthony.)

Betting—"Sporting Chronicle" and "Sporting Life"—2 to 1 each agst. Black Forest and King Pippin, 6 to 1 Clymping, 7 to 1 ANNAM, 8 to 1 Prince Regent, 100 to 6 any other.

Won by a neck; a short head. Deerslayer was fourth and Pottery Boy last.

The winner was bought in for 360 guineas.

2.30—NEW CENTURY STEEPLECHASE of 650 sovs. Second receives 100 sovs. and third 50 sovs. 2 m. 310 yds.
Mr. W. Whitehead's br. g. HALBERDIER, by Battle-Axe, dam by Red Prince II.—Peg Cashen, a, 11-7 ....W. Gurney 1
Mr. H. Kershaw's CIVIC GUARD, a, 11-7 A. Stubbs 2
Mr. V. T. Thompson's RED CYDER, 5, 11-0 F. Gurney 3
Mrs. S. Prince's Mullaghmast, a, 12-5 W. Parvin 0
Mr. R. Bownass's Low Tide, a, 11-7 E. Foster 0
Mr. P. Goodman's Predial, a, 11-7 ...E. Barker 0
Mr. W. Jardine Gresson's Evanswave, 6, 11-7 R. Burford 0
Mr. W. H. Midwood's Zain, a, 11-7 G. Turner 0
Mr. W. Parrish's Fine Yarn, 6, 11-7 Mr. J. Stevens 0
Mr. F. W. Wilmot's Wando, a, 11-7 T. Costello 0
Mr. M. D. Blair's Ballyhanwood, 5, 11-0 B. Haynes 0
Mr. A. Heathorn's Irina, 4, 11-0 ......Whelehan 0

Off 2.31. (Winner trained by R. Payne.)

Betting—"Sporting Chronicle" and "Sporting Life"—Evens Low Tide, 9 to 2 agst. Red Cyder, 7 to 1 Civic Guard, 8 to 1 HALBERDIER, 10 to 1 Fine Yarn, 100 to 6 any other.

Evanswave cut out the work from Low Tide, Predial, Civic Guard, Fine Yarn, Red Cyder and Halberdier, with Zain last, till passing the stands, when Uredial went on just clear of Civic Guard, Low Tide (jumping badly), Evanswave, Red Cyder, Halberdier, and Fine Yarn. At the fence after the brook Fine Yarn fell, and Low Tide headed Predial, the pair being closely attended by Civic Guard, with Halberdier improving his position. Two fences from home Low Tide fell, Halberdier immediately taking command, and winning by twelve lengths; a bad third. Evanswave was fourth, Predial fifth, Mullaghmast sixth, Zain seventh, Wandoo eighth, Irina ninth, and Ballyhanwood the only other to finish.

3.0—WEYBRIDGE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second receives 25 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. J. A. Phillips's br. c. MARKSMAN, by Sunstar—Popaway, 4, 10-13.........G. Duller 1
Mr. W. B. Duckworth's GREAT SPAN, 5, 11-7 S. Ingham 2
Mr. G. Hooper's DOWSER, 6, 11-7 M. Tighe 3

Also ran—Detritus (D. Dick), Golden Fizz (Mr. W. Payne, jun.), Olivebury (R. Lyall), Honeycomb (A. Smith), Pinnace (J. Anthony), Tutankhamen (W. Speck), View Label (G. Pellerin), Spigot Lodge (J. Bisgood), Lackey (J. Hogan), Attaboy (T. Morgan), I Hope So (R. Prioleau), Dobby Horse (P. Fleming), Llangeria (T. Morean). Off 3.2. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting—"Sporting Chronicle" and "Sporting Life"—2 to 1 on MARKSMAN, 10 to 1 each agst. Dowser and Honeycomb, 100 to 8 Attaboy, 100 to 6 Great Span, 25 to 1 any other.

Won by ten lengths; eight lengths. Honeycomb was fourth and Llangeria last.

3.30—RANELAGH HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second receives 25 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 2 m. 310 yds.
Mr. D'Arcy Baker's ch. g. CANOPUS, by Royal Canopy—Attica, a, 12-4...T. Leader 1
Mr. L. Oppenheim's JARGOON, a, 10-10 W. Speck 2
Baron F. de Tuyll's PONGO, 5, 9-9...T. Morgan 3

Also ran—Holdcroft (J. Anthony), Thor (J. McNeill), Snapper (Major Cavenagh), Hugh O'Neill (M. Tighe). Off 3.32. (Winner trained by Martin.)

Betting—"Sporting Chronicle" and "Sporting Life"—13 to 8 agst. CANOPUS, 3 to 1 Holdcroft, 4 to 1 Jargoon, 6 to 1 Hugh O'Neill, 8 to 1 Pongo, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by a length and a half; three lengths. Snapper was fourth and Thor last.

4.0—GRANGE N.H. FLAT RACE of 150 sovs. Second receives 25 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 2 m. 2 f. and 92 yds.
Mr. P. Cockburn's b. or br. h. BACHELOR'S CALL, by Bachelor's Double—Coora, a, 11-5 Owner 1
Mrs. Chester Beatty's RATHCOOLE, a, 12-7 Mr. C. Kirk 2
Mr. T. Richardson's BOOMERANG, a, 11-5 Mr. Norris 3

Also ran—Fantastical (Mr. C. Kidd), Clashing Arms (Mr. D. Williams), Fariray (Major Wilson), Red Bee (Owner), Grenhurst (Owner). Off. 4.1. (Winner trained by Woodland.)

Betting—"Sporting Chronicle" and "Sporting Life"—2 to 1 agst. Fantastical, 9 to 4 Rathcoole, 3 to 1 Fariray, 10 to 1 BACHELOR'S CALL or any other.

Won by six lengths; eight lengths. Fariray was fourth and Grenhurst last.

In a heavy-weight boxing match at Stockholm yesterday, Soeren Pedersen (Denmark) beat Sid Pape (England) on points, after six rounds.

LEOPARDSTOWN.

BIG FIELDS.

ELGAR DISAPPOINTS.

LINCOLN CANDIDATE'S EASY WIN.

A total of eighty-seven horses participated in the afternoon's racing at Leopardstown on Saturday, which was very satisfactory, in view of the gloomy forebodings from some quarters as to the prospects of the sport this season. Genial weather prevailing, there was a fairly large attendance, and the sport throughout was of an interesting, though not very exciting character.

The Lincoln Handicap candidate, Grave Fairy, who has lately been put to hurdling, gave a very impressive display when she won the Newtown Maiden Hurdle Race from a field of twenty-four others. Despite the size of the field, Grave Fairy and Bachelor's Heir were practically the only ones backed, and this judgment was well borne out by the race, for the pair had the others all well beaten a long way from home. Grave Fairy, however, had not the slightest difficulty in winning, and those who fancy her prospects at Lincoln have the satisfaction of knowing at least that she is in good trim, and the course of hurdling exercise she is going through should not be against her.

Eager Hen, who only scored once in a flat race at the Curragh last season, is another recruit to hurdling, who promises to do well. She had fifteen others in opposition for the Dun Laoghaire Selling Race, and scored a very comfortable win. The one to trouble her most was Buffoon, who had some useful form in England before coming to this country, but apparently he is not a reliable performer. Despite the easy manner in which Eager Hen earned her brackets, nobody was disposed to bid for her at the ensuing auction, and she remains in Mr. P. P. O'Reilly's possession.

T. Coombs, the Curragh trainer, who has had dual successes with Duleek and Ceylonese in England recently, had hopes of completing a double here also with Saorstat in the Carrickmines Hurdle Race, but Mr. J. J. McAuley's horse never held out any hopes to his backers. Santhome and Explanation were the prominent ones in the early part of the race, and when the former came to grief at half-way, Explanation carried on the running until approaching the last hurdle. At this stage it was apparent that Kildarra Boy had taken his measure, and tackling him before the final jump, Mr. O'Driscoll's horse won in easy style.

Our attention was next turned to steeplechasing, a party of eleven turning out for the Silverpark Plate, which was for maidens. A poor class of field it was, too, and of the eleven starters, only four succeeded in negotiating the full journey. The second fence brought about the downfall of Brass Tacks and Crawler, and at the fence near the mile starting post Spinning Queen II., who was leading at the time, Noble Princess, Martenstown, Mediator's Hope and Forbidden Fruit came down in a bunch, fortunately without any serious injury to jockey or horse. After this *contretemps* Watch Park was left at the head of the other three, and cantering along in leisurely style, the son of Bachelor's Hope won as he liked. He would probably have done so in any case, as he is a much more proficient jumper than any of the others, and he looks like being a valuable recruit to the steeplechasing branch of the sport.

At one time great things were expected of Elgar, but Mrs. Morton Jackson's fine-looking horse has not quite lived up to expectations, though he has time enough yet to do so. He was greatly fancied for the Bray Steeplechase, and well though he ran, he found one too good for him in Tiranogue. The pair battled out their finish from the last fence home, but Tiranogue always had the measure of the favourite. Elgar jumped safely and well, but not as cleverly as Tiranogue, who is a useful type of six-year-old.

Kanowna, now in his eleventh year, had enough life in him still to polish off the opposition in the Stewards' Steeplechase, as if they were horses of a different class. He was followed home by Brown Ivy and Myra M., the latter of whom would have been nearer the winner but for making a couple of mitsakes in the course of the last half mile. Details:—

2.15—THE NEWTOWN MAIDEN HURDLE of £100. Second £10, third £5. 1½ m.
Mrs. T. Coombs's br. m. GRAVE FAIRY, by Grave Greek—Mountain Fairy, a, 11-11 J. Fitzgerald 1
Mr. A. Lowry's BACHELOR'S HEIR, a, 11-11 T. Burns 2
Mr. A. B. Coyle's BOB MARTYN, 4, 10-2 P. Power 3
Mr. R. E. Hope's Sweet Lady, 6, 10-13 Mr. A. Nuttall 0
Mr. T. O'Roarke's Don Sancho, 6, 10-13 Mr. J. O'Rorke 0
Mr. Wallis's Happy Princess, 6, 11-6...J. Roban 0
Mr. P. J. Murphy's Lislea, 5, 11-8...Jos. Doyle 0
Mr. J. T. Wilson's Bantam, 5, 11-1...J. Meany 0
Mr. T. Black's Sally O'Neill, 5, 10-10...J. York 0
Mr. F. Clarke's Maqueda, 4, 10-9.........Owner 0
Mrs. H. Harty's Royal Ambush, 4, 11-0 Mr. T. Cullinan 0
Mr. J. McAuley's Nightjar, 4, 11-0...Jas. Doyle 0
Mr. D. McDermott's Beddgelert, 4, 11-0 D. Ward 0
Mrs. Moss's Roi Knight, 4, 10-9.........E. Foley 0
Mr. P. J. Murphy's May Orb, 4, 10-9 W. Farrell 0
Mr. T. O'Roarke's Oliver's Mint, 4, 10-9 Mr. G. J. Grant 0
Mr. P. Shaw's Lomond's Lake, 4, 11-0 Redmond 0
Mr. J. Staunton's Duncairn, 4, 11-0...M. Wing 0
Mr. H. Hone's Clonty, 4, 10-7......J. Moloney 0
Mr. A. Lowry's Spare Time, 4, 10-7 D. Colbert 0
Mr. J. McAuley's No Deceit, 4, 10-2 J. McEntee 0
Mr. J. Mallivk's Lugduff, 4, 10-2 ...J. Hunter 0
Mr. Mangan's Hackler's Dream, 4, 10-2 Mr. T. Nugent 0
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's Grosvenor Happy Boy, 4, 10-2 ....J. Kelly 0
Mr. C. Fagan's Tea Leaf, 4, 10-7...J. H. Harty 0
(Winner trained by T. Coombs.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Bachelor's Heir, 5 to 2 GRAVE FAIRY, 7 to 1 Beddgelert, 100 to 8 each Bob Martyn and others.

No Deceit refused to start, and Bachelor's Heir settled down in front of Beddgelert, Grave Fairy and Cygdar until half a mile from home, when Bachelor's Heir, Grave Fairy, and Beddgelert went clear away from the others, of whom Cygdar was at the head. At the last hurdle Grave Fairy took command, and, drawing away, won in a canter by ten lengths; eight lengths divided second and third. Sweet Lady was fourth, Beddgelert fifth, Maqueda sixth, Roi Knight seventh, and Lomond's Lake next. Oliver's Mint fell. Time, 2 mins. 53 4-5 secs.

2.45—THE DUNLAOGHAIRE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE of £100. Second £10, third £5. 1½ m.
Mr. O'Reilly's ch. m. EAGER HEN, by Meleager—Grey Hen, 6, 11-2 ....T. Burns 1
Mrs. Bartholomew's BUFFOON, a, 11-2 J. Meylan 2
Mr. Sheehan's MOST NOBLE, a, 11-5 M. Wing 3
Mr. Doyle's Tipperary Boy, a, 12-5...Jos. Doyle 0
Capt. Maher's Petit Beau, a, 11-7...J. Moloney 0
Mr. Dodd's Abdulla, 5, 11-0.........J. H. Harty 0
Mr. Murray's Zriamore, 6, 10-12...J. McCarthy 0
Mr. O'Sullivan's Paxton, a, 10-10......D. Quirke 0
Mr. McDonald's Olive Leaf, 6, 10-10...G. Brown 0
Mr. Parkinson's Grosvenor's Pride, 4, 10-5 J. Kelly 0
Mr. McAuley's Carlovia, 4, 10-10...Jas. Doyle 0
Mr. Goodman's Simon Oge, 5, 10-8 W. Redmond 0
Mr. Finegan's Over Land, a, 10-5...J. Lenehan 0
Mr. Lowry's Louvint, 4, 9-13............J. Hunter 0
Mr. Cogan's Goslin, 4, 10-3..............D. Ward 0
Mr. Vandeleur's Dry Ginger, 6, 10-2...J. Lynn 0
(Winner trained by A. MacAuley.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. EAGER HEN, 3 to 1 Most Noble, 6 to 1 Carlovia, 7 to 1 Buffoon, 8 to 1 Paxton, 100 to 8 any other.

Carlovia came on from Most Noble, Petit Beau, Goslin, Buffoon, and Abdulla until half a mile from home, when Most Noble was in front of Buffoon, Carlovia, Petit Beau, and Eager Hen. Approaching the last flight Buffoon was slightly in front of Eager Hen, but the latter, coming away in the straight, won easily by six lengths; five lengths divided second and third. Carlovia was fourth, Petit Beau fifth, Abdulla sixth, Overland seventh, and Zriamore next. Time, 2 mins. 56 3-5 secs.

There was no bid for the winner.

3.15 — THE CARRICKMINES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 1½ m.
Mr. O'Driscoll's br. c. KILDARRA BOY, by Thistleton—Bachelor's Girl, 5, 11-3 J. Moloney 1
Mr. Rogers's EXPLANATION, a, 12-7 D. Ward 2
Mr. McAuley's SAORSTAT, 5, 11-1...Jas. Doyle 3
Mr. Monahan's Sunnyray, a, 12-2...Jos. Doyle 0
Mr. Hartigan's South Pole, a, 11-3...J. Bryan 0
Mrs. Harty's Rathbar, a, 11-2 ......J. H. Harty 0
Mr. O'Neill's Louvixen, 4, 10-10......J. Kelly 0
Mr. Barrett's Santhome, 5, 10-8..........J. Balfe 0
Mr. Myerscough's Alliteration, 4, 10-9 J. Moylan 0
Mr. McAuley's Bachelor's Point, 6, 10-4 P. Moylan 0
Mr. Parkinson's Helen Adair, 4, 10-6 W. Redmond 0
Mr. McCann's Rosmeen, 4, 10-2 Mr. T. B. Cullinan 0
Mr. McAlinden's Monaco, 4, 9-6 (car. 9-7) J. Hunter 0
(Winner trained by M. Dawson.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Saorstat, 4 to 1 Alliteration, 6 to 1 KILDARRA BOY, 7 o 1 each Explanation and Rathbar, 100 to 8 any other.

Santhome led from Explanation, South Pole, Sunnyray, Kildarra Boy, Rosmeen, and Saorstat for half-way, when Santhome, who was leading, fell, and Explanation went on from Sunnyray, Saorstat, Louvixen and Alliteration. Coming to the last hurdle Kildarra Boy drew to the front, followed by Explanation, and, making the remainder of the running, won easily by eight lengths; five lengths divided second and third. Alliteration was fourth, Louvixen fifth, Sunnyray sixth, and Monaco next. Time, 2 mins. 53 4-5 secs.

3.45—THE SILVERPARK STEEPLECHASE of £100. Second £10, third £5. 2 m. 175 yds.
Mr. T. Baker's b. g. WATCH PARK, by Bachelor's Hope, dam by Pilot—Kolar, a, 12-0 ....S. Regan 1
Mr. J. O'Sullivan's LADY IRENE, 5, 12-0 M. Keogh 2
Mr. H. I. Ussher's ADAMSTOI, 6, 12-0 J. Moylan 3
Mr. J. Dawson's Martenstown, a, 12-0 K. Lenehan 0
Mr. Wallis's Noble Princess, a, 12-7 J. Callahan 0
Mr. Kenny's Mediator's Hope, 6, 12-0 J. Hamilton 0
Mr. Gowing's Forbidden Fruit, 5, 11-7 Mr. J. W. Cleary 0
Mr. J. A. Coen's Thistle Rose, 6, 12-0 J. Moloney 0
Mr. Ryan's Spinning Queen II., 6, 12-0 G. Brawn 0
Mr. D. Dickson's Brass Tacks, 5, 11-7 P. Grace 0
Mr. A. Willis's Crawler, 5, 11-7 ..T. Regan, jun. 0
(Winner trained by R. H. Walker.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Forbidden Fruit, 4 to 1 each WATCH PARK and Adamstoi, 6 to 1 Lady Irene, 20 to 1 any other.

Brass Tacks and Crawler fell at the second fence, and Spinning Queen II. showed the way to Forbidden Fruit, Noble Princess, Lady Irene, Watch Park, Mediator's Hope, and Adamstoi for half-way, when Spinning Queen II., Noble Princess, Martenstown, Mediator's Hope, and Forbidden Fruit fell, and Watch Park, going on from Lady Irene, won easily by twenty-five lengths; a bad third. Thistle Rose was fourth Time, 4 mins. 48 secs.

4.15—THE BRAY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m. 175 yds.
Mr. W. W. Ashe's br. m. TIRANOGUE, by Jackdaw—Rockley, 6, 10-0 ....M. Keogh 1
Mrs. V. Jackson's ELGAR, a, 10-6 ..J. Moloney 2
Mr. H. Loughran's IOTA, a, 9-13 .....S. Regan 3
Mr. Rogers' Northern Linnet, 6, 12-0 ..D. Ward 0
Mr. Dowling's Lady Martin, 6, 10-6 ..J. Meaney 0
Mr. P. Brophy's Too Richy, 6, 10-5 W. Redmond 0
Mr. F. Barbour's Benbo, a, 9-13 ......P. Quinn 0
Mrs. J. Bartholomew's Easter Hero, 6, 9-11 J. Moylan 0
Mr. C. Vandeleur's Little Mick, a, 9-7 (car. 9-10) ....J. Lynn 0
Mr. E. Delany's Prince Pam, a, 9-7 ..M. Hynes 0
Mrs. W. Dawson's Little Fella, a, 9-11 J. Scroott 0
(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Elgar, 4 to 1 Northern Linnet, 5 to 1 each TIRANOGUE and Easter Hero, 6 to 1 Iota, 100 to 8 any other.

Little Mick settled down from Easter Hero, Tiranogue, Northern Linnet, Iota, Too Richy, Elgar, Little Fella, and Prince Pam for half-way, where Lady Martin and Northern Linnet fell. Half a mile from home Iota was in front of Tiranogue and Elgar, but at the last fence Tiranogue drew to the front, and, holding Elgar at bay, won by two and a half lengths; eight lengths separated second and third. Little Fella was fourth, Too Richy fifth, Prince Pam sixth, and Easter Hero next. Time, 4 mins. 26 secs.

4.45—THE STEWARDS' H'CAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. 3 m. 100 yds.
Lord Lascelles's b. g. KANOWNA, by Ardoon—St. Brenda, a, 12-4 ....D. Ward 1
Capt. J. O'Grady's BROWN IVY, a, 10-1 J. H. Harty 2
Mr. T. G. Dillon's MYRA M., a, 9-7 K. Lenehan 3
Mr. J. P. Taaffe's Garrymore, a, 11-9 M. Keogh 0
Mr. L. F. Ball's Ingomar, a, 10-11 T. B. Cullinan 0
Sir T. Ainsworth's Take Notice, a, 10-10 Owner 0
Mrs. C. Cole's Mr. Wrigley, 6, 10-5 J. Hamilton 0
Mr. F. Barbour's Jerpoint, 6, 9-13 ..P. Quinn 0
Mrs. C. Dwyer's Shingled Shorter, 5, 9-10 J. McCarthy 0
Mrs. Traill's Up at the Pole, a, 9-10 ...J. Lynn 0
Capt. F. Uprichard's Flash o' Flame, a, 9-7 M. Hynes 0
(Winner trained by M. Arnott.)

Betting—3 to 1 agst. KANOWNA, 4 to 1 Mr Wrigley, 9 to 2 Brown Ivy, 6 to 1 Take Notice, 8 to 1 Ingomar, 100 to 8 each Myra M. or any other.

Ingomar settled down from Up at the Pole, Myra M., Kanowna, Flash o' Flame, Brown Ivy, Jerpoint, Take Notice, Shingled Shorter, Mr. Wrigley and Garrymore last, until half a mile from home, when Kanowna took up the running, followed by Flash o' Flame, Brown Ivy, Myra M., to the last fence, where Kanowna was followed by Brown Ivy, and won easily by eight lengths; five lengths divided second and third. Flash o' Flame was fourth, Take Notice fifth, and Jerpoint next Time, 6 mins. 49 3-5 secs.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

In a twenty round contest at Sydney yesterday, which was described as being fought for the middle-weight championship of the British Empire, Len Johnson (England) brilliantly defeated Harry Collins (Australia) on points.

Halberdier was offered for sale previous to winning the New Century Steeplechase at Hurst Park on Saturday, but failed to reach his reserve. The last bid was made by Mr. F. C. Parker, who went to 800 guineas.

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SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Express:—Safety bet—The Pelican.
Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best—Tamasha. Double—Tamasha and Fair View.
Daily Mirror:—Double — Kirkharle (nap) and Fair View.
Daily Graphic:—Double—Great Care and Kirkharle.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

PLUMPTON MEETING.

Ringmer Novices' Steeplechase—Red Conrad, Battle Array, Maltoi
Chailey Maiden Hurdle—Maltoi.
Walmer Selling Handicap Hurdle—Shotmaker, Ligan.
Streat Handicap Hurdle—Truthful James.
Hopeful Hurdle—Roysterer, Truthful James.
Plumpton engagements, February 22 and 23—Drive On, Egad and Winoya.

NEWBURY MEETING.

Moderate Handicap Hurdle—Prince Jerome and Frocked.
February Hurdle—The Buchanite.
Amateurs' Handicap Hurdle—Roysterer.
Berkshire Selling Handicap Hurdle—Cappawhite.

DERBY MEETING.

Longdon Handicap Hurdle—Donaghadee.
Grangewood Hurdle—Frocked.
Anglesey Hurdle—The Buchanite.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Four-Year-Old Handicap Hurdle, Hawthorn Hill—Starosta.
Wiltshire Stakes, Bibury Club Meeting—Square Gift.
All engagements in Mr. H. L. Cottrill's name—Ovoca colt (2 yrs.).

THIS WEEK'S RACING FIXTURES

ENGLAND.

Monday and Tuesday—Plumpton.
Wednesday—Sedgefield.
Wednesday and Thursday—Newbury.
Friday and Saturday—Gatwick.

JOCKEYS' ENGAGEMENTS AT PLUMPTON TO-DAY.

Worthing Steeplechase—Irish Cheer (O'Sullivan), Honest Boy (R. Trudgill). Hurst Pierpoint Hurdle—Lord Offaly or Broken Vow (Dick), Petty Cury (Tighe), Red City (Robson), Snowcloud (Ingham). Plumpton Steeplechase—The Bleeka (O'Sullivan). Chailey Hurdle—Marterne (A. Smyth), Librarian (J. Hogan), Tamasha (D. Dick), and Royal Plumage (T Morgan). Brighton Steeplechase—Marabou (O'Sullivan), Gondolier (Mr. Langford).

MALLOW RACES,

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL the 5th and WEDNESDAY, the 28th APRIL, 1926.

Owners and trainers will note that five races for the Easter Monday Meeting and the FOXHUNTERS' DERBY of 500 sovereigns, CLOSE on WEDNESDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin. THE CITY OF CORK GRAND PRIZE, a £500 race, for two-year-olds, which also takes place on Easter Monday, at Mallow, has closed with 49 subscribers. Entry forms for these races may be obtained from Mr. B. W. Purdon, The Racecourse, Mallow.

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PLUMPTON

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

The 'chasing fixture which opens the current week's racing is an unpretentious affair, devoid of importance. This is an exceedingly trying racecourse after unfavourable weather, hence a lightly-weighted animal like The Pelican should account for Whitelaw's best and annex the Worthing Handicap, which appears a dangerous affair to be meddled with by stay-at-home backers. Snowcloud has much to fear from G. Bennett's selected in the Hurstpierpoint Hurdle Race, for which C. Young is also likely to bid strongly. The entry for the Plumpton Steeplechase is such that a good betting race should result. With the handicap framed upon 1st. lighter terms, the chance of Dwarf of the Forest would be considerably improved, but the winner should be forthcoming from the top quartette—Kirkharle, perhaps, unless Capdina can reproduce home trial form. Woodend is hardly likely to be exploited for a beggarly 78 sovs. on such a trappy track, the stable being more likely to be represented in the Chailey Hurdle by Tamasha or Mum Ruffin. Jarvie has been a disappointment to his people as a hurdler so far, so has Pigeon Post. Marterne did her bit last week, and Great Care comes well in it on his best form, but G. Bennett's selected should be equal to the task here, and he may send Tamasha. Selections:—

Worthing Steeplechase—**The Pelican.**
Hurstpierpoint Hurdle Race—**G. Bennett's selected.**
Plumpton Steeplechase — **G. Bennett's selected**; if absent, **Kirkharle.**
Chailey Hurdle Race—**Tamasha**,* each way.
Brighton Steeplechase—**Fair View** or **Marabou.**
Four-Year-Old Hurdle Race—**Greenhorn.**
DOUBLE—**Tamasha** and **The Pelican.**

1.45—WORTHING SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. Winner to be sold for £50. 2 m. Age st. lb

HACKDAILE (Mrs. G. S. Whitelaw) Whitelaw a 12 7
ICEMORE (Mrs. T. C. Irvine) Whitelaw a 11 0
(The above have arrived.)
JOLLY HAMPTON (Col. R. L. Birkin) W. Payne 6 12 5
THE STAR (Mr. L. Stanley) ...Stanley a 12 5
BROWNSTOWN (Mr. J. Pendarves) Owner a 12 4
ADALEW (Mr. W. Pearson) ...H. Turner a 12 4
CRAGGIE ROCK (Mrs. H. Gregson) C. Young a 12 2
B. JAY (Mr. W. Payne) ....Owner a 12 1
PRIDE OF MANISTER (Mr. A. Riddell) Rayson a 11 12
COOLDRINAGH (Mrs. L. M. Hopkins) Private a 11 11
BALLINAMORE (Capt. A. E. Grant) W. Payne a 11 10
VIVE-LA (Mr. J. Counsell) E. Piggott a 11 8
IRISH CHEER (Mr. R. Herniman) Poole a 11 7
PLUMADO (Miss H. Rodocanachi) Powell 6 11 5
SUN ORB (Mr. R. de Reuter) J. J. Kelly a 11 3
SORREL HILL (Mr. H. Kennard) S. Bennet a 11 2
HONEST BOY (Mr. H. Hesford) H. Law a 11 1
RED LADDIE (Mr. R. Gore) ......Owner a 11 0
ATHOLHAMPTON (Mr. T. Fitton) Owner a 10 12
SANCHO PANZA (Miss Manchester) Bradfield a 10 12
COLUMBUS (Mr. R. McKay) ...J. Scott a 10 9
THE PELICAN (Mr. H. Beeby) Owner a 10 7
TURBINE SECUNDUS (Mr. A. Law) Owner a 10 5
MAY MORN (Mr. Leach) ....Hackett 5 10 2
ORMSKIRK (Mr. G. Whitaker) A. Law a 10 0

2.15—HURSTPIERPONT SELLING HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. Winner to be sold for £50. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

BACHELOR'S MODEL (Mr. Bennett) Owner 6 12 0
LORD OFFALY (Mrs. Brock)..G. Bennett a 12 0
UNCLE BONES (Mr. A. Goldwater) L. Hammond 6 12 0
PETTY CURY (Mr. Heald)......C. Young a 12 0
ERRAND BOY (Mr. Pendarves) Owner a 12 0
BROKEN VOW (Mr. Shaw) G Bennett a 12 0
LONGNIDDRY LASS (Mr. Tennent) H. Turner 6 12 0
RED CITY (Miss A. Vincent)...C. Young a 12 0
MARTINIQUE (Mr. Wootton)..........Owner a 12 0
RAME TOR (Mr. Day-Harris) Butchers 4 11 0
SNOW CLOUD (Mr Gant)...L. Hammond 4 11 0
VALE QUEEN (Miss Vincent)...C. Young 4 11 0

2.45—PLUMPTON STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs., and third 5 sovs. 3 m. Age. st. lb.

KIRKHARLE (Mrs. Keith)...S. Bennet a 12 0
KNIGHTHAVEN (Maj. R. Body) Bletsoe 6 10 4
(The above have arrived.)
BEGGAR'S END (Capt. J. E. H. Orr) G. Bennett a 12 11
BEN CRUCHAN (Mr. Whitbread) G. Bennett a 12 11
DWARF OF THE FOREST (Mr. H. Kennard) S. Bennet a 12 0
TULLYLOST (Mrs Putnam)............Poole a 11 3
RAMSES (Mr. Holtom)............Whitaker 6 11 1
PEACEFUL PROSPECTS (Mr. Alvarez) A. Law a 11 1
GRENHURST (Ld. Westmorland)..Owner a 10 11
THE BLEEKA (Mr. Hilliard) ....Poole a 10 11
SMILIN' THROUGH (Mr. Churchill) East a 10 4
LEMBOLO (Mr. Dalton)..............Willett 5 10 4
PHANTOM FOX (Mr. Forester) Turner a 10 4
RED ZONE (Maj. Franklyn)......Rayson a 10 4
CAPDINA (Mr. R. Gore)..............Owner a 10 4
SQUARE UP (Ld. Killeen)..........Turner a 10 4
SIR SHAUN (Mr. Mackay)...H. Leader 6 10 4
LONG TUNE (Mr. Pearce)..........Bletsoe a 10 4
BROKEN WAND (Mr Whitelaw) Owner a 10 4
COCKER (Mr. Whitelaw)..............Owner 6 10 4
SILVER TOES II (Miss N. Wilmot) Wilmot a 10 4

3.15—CHAILEY MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 85 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.

STAROSTA (Lieut.-Comdr. E. W. B. Leake) A. Waugh 4 10 7
(The above has arrived.)
WOODEND (Mr. R. Brendon) G. Bennett 6 11 10
JARVIE (Mr. Barnett Cohen) H. Leader 6 11 7
SAMOY (Mr. Dalton) ....Willett 6 11 7
NOISY (Mr. R. Gore) ....Owner 6 11 7
DING HOW (Mr. F. Hackett) ......Owner 6 11 7
EATON LADDIE (Mrs. L. M. Hopkins) Private 6 11 7
STAR DONOVAN (Mr. Quinlan) Killalee 6 11 7
PATRAS (Mrs. J. Richardson Sowerby) Hedges 6 11 7
SKIP ALONG (Major C. E. Walker) Private 6 11 7
MARTERNE (Miss A. Vincent) ...Smyth 5 11 7
OUR BILL (Mr. W. H. Allden) ...Allden 5 11 3
IRISH TRUCE (Mr. S. Bennet) ...Owner 5 11 3
LIBRARIAN (Mrs. H. G. Gregson) C. Young 5 11 3
PECCADILLO (Mr. J. Hoboken) ..Knel 5 11 3
CAVALCADE (Mr. C. Leader)..T. Leader 5 11 3
MENASSIER (Major Mocatta) S. Bennet 5 11 3
RAZOR (Col. E. Thistlethwayte) Wilmot 5 11 3
TAMASHA (Ld. Queenborough) G. Bennett 5 11 3
ROYAL PLUMAGE (Mr. J. R. Thornton) Allden 5 11 3
DUKE OF JUDEA (Mr. R. Tyler) Larkin 5 11 3
GREAT CARE (Capt. A. Stanley Wilson) Whitaker 4 11 0
MUM RUFFIN (Mr. R. Brendon) G. Bennett 4 10 7
FORTUITIOUS (Mr. F. Collinson) Owner 4 10 7
LUNATOI (Mr. G. Hooper) ..C. Young 4 10 7
BAR LE DUC (Ld. Lovat) W. Nightingall 4 10 7
JAM TOMORROW (Mr. J. C. Mackay) Owner 4 10 7
RUSSIAN EAGLE (Ld. Marchamley) Goby 4 10 7
ROCOS (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos) ..Poole 4 10 7
CARROTS (Mr. A. H. O. Riddell) Rayson 4 10 7
ASTIR (Mr. G. Snow) ....J. J. Kelly 4 10 7
SOME SLIP (Mr. H. Turner) ..Owner 4 10 7
PIGEON POST (Ld. Westmorland) Owner 4 10 7

3.45—BRIGHTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. and third 5 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.

GOLDENDALE (Mrs. C. R. Leake) A. Waugh a 11 0
(The above has arrived.)
START AGAIN (Mr. W. Whitbread) G. Bennett a 12 7
WESTOWN (Mr. A. E. Berry) Whitaker a 12 2
JACKEROO (Mr. Steedman) ......Willett 5 12 0
WORD OF HONOUR (Lt.-Col. Wayland) Champneys a 11 8
MARABOU (Capt. A. Gollan) ......Poole 5 11 8
WEE LADDIE (Capt. H. Davey) ...Goby a 11 7
LOVELY BIRD (Mr. J. Killalee) Owner a 11 7
TULLYLOST (Mrs. J. Putnam) ...Poole a 11 5
MORNING SUN (Capt. J. E. Orr) G. Bennett 5 11 4
FAIR VIEW (Mr. J. Wood) ......Stanley a 11 4
GONDOLIER (Mrs. S. Allden) ...Allden a 10 13
BERGATE (Mr. J. L. Harland) Owner a 10 7

4.15—FOUR-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 95 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. Four-year-olds only. 2 m. Age st. lb.

CASTLEDERG (Mrs. G. S. Whitelaw) (7lb. ex.) ....Whitelaw 13 0
GREEN HORN (Mr. T. A. Edge) (7lb. ex) Poole 12 7
SKYBLAZE (Mr. R. Mealings) ......Smyth 11 11
HOTUN-NOR (Sir Hedworth Meux) Gore 11 8
GUN RUNNER (Mr. H. Leader) ...Owner 11 7
SKYWHITE (Mr. H. Green) ....Larkin 11 7
LASIDO (Mr. J. P. Chapman) ....Owner 11 7
BURNING THOUGHTS (Mrs. Cornelius) Larkin 11 6
CHIRON (Mr. H. Abrahams) ....Poole 11 6
SANTA-MARIA (Mr. F. W. Wilmot) Gwilt 11 5
BLUE PAPER (Mrs. C. Jones) ...J. Scott 11 3
TAGNUS (Mr. G. Sandford Poole) Chapman 11 2
WILLOW QUEEN (Mr. J. Harris) Hyams 11 1
ESPEROS (Mr. Z. Michalinos) ....Poole 11 0
SAUNDERTON (Mr. R. Jeffrey) Butchers 10 10
GAINFORD (Mr. G. Hooper) ..C. Young 10 8
EVENING BLISS (Mr. G. Snow) J. J. Kelly 10 8
SPAHI (Mr. M. Robson) ....Hyams 10 5

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ASSOCIATION.

CUP AND SHIELD TIES.

ROVERS AND FORDSONS FOR THE FINAL.

Cup and Shield ties were the features of the week-end football—the fifth round of the English Cup, the semi-finals of the Free State Cup, final of the County Antrim Shield, and Free State Shield, all come under review. They formed a most attractive series of games. Even in the Free State the fortunes of the sixteen teams who battled for the right of entry into the sixth round of the English Cup were followed with the keenest interest, although, needless to say, they did not dwarf the local Cup semi-finals.

The outstanding result in the English Cup games was the overthrow by 2-0 of Newcastle United by Clapton Orient; but there were other unexpected happenings, as, for instance, the defeat of Millwall, who, like the Orient, were at home, by Swansea Town, the latter winning a thrilling match by a goal to nil, while Fulham and Notts Forest likewise survived by a solitary goal. The most remarkable score of the tournament was Manchester City's eleven goals to the four of the Crystal Palace, the play of the home forwards delighting a crowd of fifty thousand.

In the Free State Cup Shamrock Rovers had a comfortable passage to the final, defeating Jacobs 3-0. At Cork Fordsons also reached the last stage. Shelbourne gave a convincing display at home against Athlone—they won by 5-1—in the Shield. Cliftonville who, as a rule, are always a tough proposition in the County Antrim Shield, again secured the trophy, Glentoran being beaten 5-1, but the most surprising of the Northern results was the sweeping victory of Ards in the Irish League, the home attack being so much masters of the "Blues" defence that they scored five goals to the visitors' one.

ROVERS' SUPREMACY.

The replayed semi-final of the Free State Cup between the holders (Shamrock Rovers) and Jacobs at Dalymount attracted a good attendance, but after the debacle of the previous week, when Rovers triumphed at Rutland avenue by five clear goals in the Leinster Cup, most of those present looked on the issue as a foregone conclusion for the holders. This proved correct, Rovers winning easily by three clear goals. Both sides suffered changes.

From the start the holders had command of the game, but in the opening half Jacobs gave a stirring display and for 15 minutes had quite as much of the play. It was apparent that the Rover forwards were inclined to take matters easy, and this enabled Jacobs to frequently make incursions into Rovers' end, where, however, the stubbornness of Kirkland and Malone at full-back prevented them from becoming really dangerous. Good wing play on the part of Blackford, well backed up by nice placing by Kelly and Tucker at half-back, often caused anxiety to O'Reilly in Rovers' goal. As a rule, however, the finish of the inside forwards was at fault, and many good chances of taking an early lead were spoiled by the ineptitude of both Smith and Moore, who never pressed home from the good centres of the wing players. Through the field there was little between the sides in the earlier play, but then Rovers were quite safe and played with perfect confidence. In front of goal, however, their forwards were often at fault, and this was mainly due to Flood, who was frequently beaten for possession through holding on too long. Both Duffy and Boyne played well at full back for Jacobs. The latter was mainly responsible for the smallness of the score, even taking into account the fact that the holders' forwards slackened off considerably in the second period, when they were quite satisfied to play out time.

The closing stages were spoiled by the tactics adopted by Rovers' full-backs, who turned the game into a farce by needlessly kicking the ball into the crowd on the banks and out of the ground, as a consequence of which three balls had to be requisitioned to finish the game, by which time a large percentage of the spectators had left.

Play was evenly disposed for some minutes at the start, and Jacobs' inside forwards missed a couple of chances of scoring. After 15 minutes Jordan gave Rovers the lead from Flood's centre, and they held this to the interval. Early in the second period Fullam scored the second, and had all the best of the play from this on Flood scored the third before the finish. A few bursts of Jacobs' forwards nearing the finish proved useless, and the game finished as stated.

Rovers now meet Fordsons (Cork) in the final on St. Patrick's Day.

BRIDEVILLE BEAT PIONEERS.

At Brideville ground, Inchicore, yesterday, the home side defeated Pioneers in the Free State Shield by two goals to one, all scored in the second period of a hard game. Both sides were at full strength, but the soft sod made football difficult, and the efforts of both sets of forwards in the goal area suffered considerably, the shooting being wild and the finish scrappy. Through the field both sides exhibited good form, but the football was crude, there being really little passing indulged in. The feature of the opening period was the feeble display of the forwards near goal, but there was little between the sides, and ends were changed without a score. Early in the second half Brideville took the lead, through McCarthy scoring from a penalty, and this was followed inside a few minutes by Moore converting another penalty, for Pioneers to equalise. Brideville attacked strongly and had several corners, but these proved unavailing owing to the bad kicking of the inside forwards. Nearing the finish Whelan got on to a good centre to score the winning goal.

FORDSON'S VICTORY.

At Victoria Cross, Cork, yesterday, Fordsons and Bray Unknowns met in the semi-final of the Free State Cup. About 1,000 made the journey from the Metropolis, and the attendance exceeded 10,000. The game was a poor display of football, but was played in a very friendly spirit, Fordsons won by 4 goals to 1, and thoroughly deserved their victory.

The visitors played very well in the first half, having the advantage of the high wind. Twenty minutes after the start Kelly scored for the home team, but was offside. Immediately afterwards, from a scrimmage in the Fordson goalmouth MacFarlane opened Bray's account. Within three minutes the equaliser came, Buckle heading past Walsh. Five minutes later, from a pass by Barry, Kelly gave Fordsons the lead, and before the interval the same player beat Walsh for the third goal.

All through the second half Bray were on the defensive. Roberts, of Fordsons, who had been hurt early in the game, was a passenger, but still the home side were easily superior. Five minutes from the end Sullivan, from a pass by Buckle, scored with a terrific drive.

ENGLISH CUP REPLAYS.

The date of the replays is:—Manchester United v. Sunderland, at Manchester on Wednesday; Arsenal v. Aston Villa, at Highbury on Wednesday.

THE RESULTS.

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	Goals.		Goals.
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Shelbourne	5	Athlone	1

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE—I.

St. Paul's	1	Lindon	0
Edenville	7	Strandville	0
Bohemians	2	Drumcondra	0
St. James' Gate	3	Shelbourne	1
Glasnevin	2	Chapelizod	2

JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL.

Wales	3	Ireland	0

CO. ANTRIM SHIELD—FINAL.

Cliftonville	5	Glentoran	1

IRISH LEAGUE.

Ards	6	Linfield	1
Larne	1	Newry	0

BELFAST CITY CUP.

Celtic	5	Barn	1

ENGLISH CUP—FIFTH ROUND.

Clapton Orient	2	Newcastle United	0
Sunderland	3	Manchester United	3
Fulham	1	Notts County	0
Nottingham Forest	1	Southend United	0
Swansea Town	1	Millwall	0
Bolton Wanderers	3	South Shields	0
Aston Villa	1	The Arsenal	1
Manchester City	11	Crystal Palace	4

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

Burnley	1	Huddersfield Town	1
Cardiff City	2	Birmingham	0
Leeds United	1	Liverpool	1
Sheffield United	3	West Brom. Albion	2
Tottenham Hotspur	4	Bury	2
Leicester City	2	Blackburn Rovers	1

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION II.

Barnsley	2	Southampton	0
Bradford City	0	Derby County	0
Chelsea	5	Darlington	2
Middlesbrough	4	Stockport County	0
Oldham Athletic	2	Portsmouth	0
Wolverhampton W.	5	Stoke City	1

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION III. (N.)

Accrington Stanley	3	Nelson	2
Doncaster Rovers	1	Wigan Borough	1
Durham City	2	Halifax Town	0
Hartlepools United	2	Rotherham United	1
Lincoln City	2	Crewe Alexandra	2
Rochdale	5	Grimsby Town	2
Southport	3	New Brighton	2
Tranmere Rovers	3	Bradford	1
Walsall	3	Chesterfield	1
Ashington	2	Wrexham	2

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION III. (S.)

Aberdare Athletic	3	Norwich City	1
Bournemouth United	2	Merthyr Town	1
Brentford	2	Bristol City	1
Charlton Athletic	1	Gillingham	0
Exeter City	2	Luton Town	2
Reading	2	Newport County	1
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Plymouth Argyle	1	Watford	0

SCOTTISH CUP—THIRD ROUND.

Dumbarton	3	Clyde	0
Third Lanark	4	Brechin City	0
Rangers	2	Falkirk	1
Morton	1	Albion Rovers	0
Aberdeen	2	St. Johnstone	1
Airdrieonians	5	Bathgate	0
Celtic	4	Hearts	0
St. Mirren	2	Partick Thistle	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Clydebank	5	Kilmarnock	1
Queen's Park	2	Hibernians	1
Motherwell	2	Cowdenbeath	1

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THE WARD UNION.

Date—February.	Meet.	Hour.
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Saturday, 27th	Donaghmore	1.30

THE MEATH.

To-day	Addinstown	11.30
Tuesday, 23rd	Dunboyne	11.30
Thursday, 25th	Beauparc	11.30
Friday, 26th	Cross Keys, Drumree	11.30

THE KILDARE.

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THE BERMINGHAM HARRIERS.—Change of Meet—Friday, February 26th, Dennistown (instead of Thursday).

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WESTMEATH HOUNDS.—March—Monday, 1st, Rathconrath; Wednesday, 3rd, Rochfort Bridge; Friday, 5th, Sonna; Saturday, 6th, Castlepollard; Monday, 8th, Killare Cross-roads; Wednesday, 10th, Killynon; Friday, 12th, Mearescourt; Saturday, 13th, Hopestown Cross-roads. at 12 o'clock.

ULSTER BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP.

The open badminton tournament of the North West (Ulster Championships), for which there were 240 entries from Dublin, Belfast, and all parts of Ulster, concluded at the Derry Guildhall on Saturday. The final results were:—

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For Wanderers, Kennedy played his usual sound game at full-back. The three-quarters gave a moderate display. Keegan was, perhaps, the best, and Young, the other centre, handled and tackled well, while Greer did some useful kicking and attended usefully to McMullan. Murray, at scrum half, was prone to get off-side, and has been seen to greater advantage. Reilly, Nowlan, Anderson, and Potterton were prominent in a hard-working pack.

Wanderers were the first to press, but Blackrock were early attacking, and after Wallis had failed to bring off a penalty kick and a drop at goal, Crowe was put in possession, and raced over for a good try, which was not improved on. Wanderers were soon again on level terms, Potterton having a penalty kick at the home 25 and landing the ball on the cross-bar, fortunately to go over from the hop. A little later Crowe cut through for a fine run, and at the line gave to McMullan, who was brought down by Greer. Nearing the interval Blackrock were again close on a score, Kennedy being pulled down near the line, but the defence proved sound.

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Wanderers—D. Kennedy; Rev. R. Watson, J. Keegan, R Young, E. M. Greer; P. Murray, J. B. Lambert; A. M. Anderson, J. Vidler, G. D. Johnston, A. L. Murray, A. Nowlan, N. Potterton, J. R. Reilly, D. T. Young.

Referee—Mr. T. Bell.

BECTIVE RANGERS (19) V. CLONTARF (5).

Rangers defeated Clontarf at Donnybrook on Saturday by 2 goals and 3 tries to a goal from a try. Although the winning margin would seem to indicate great superiority on the side of the winners, it was not actually so, for though Rangers scored four times in the first half, and, converting two of the tries, held a lead of 16 points clear at the interval, Clontarf backed up to such an extent that they kept the home score down to one additional try in the second half, in which they well held their own. Neither side was at full strength, Bective being without J. Ballagh, James Farrell, Downes, and Fagan, while Bruen and Carey (who is going to Scotland) were absent from the visiting ranks. Indeed, both teams were not complete till the last moment, and W. Freeman, who was making his first appearance this season, was impressed by Clontarf to fill a vacancy.

The weather was fine, there was no breeze, and the pitch was in excellent condition; but the play at any time never rose above mediocrity. For Bective, Montgomery was sound and reliable at back, and the three-quarters, Dixon, S. Ballagh, and O'Connor, showed pace and did good individual things, but they lacked the driving power of O'Donnell at five-eighths, the old Blackrock College and Merrion player running with fine dash and determination, while C. Meldon also did smart things. At half, O'Neill was very nippy and elusive, while as "rover," Collopy was as good as ever, his anticipation being never at fault, while he put in some excellent runs. The forwards had the measure of the opposing eight in the first half, but, strange to say, when McMahon was taken out of the pack to play seven-eighths the visitors did much better, and in the loose rushes this out-weighted pack gave as good as they got in the closing stages.

For Bective, E. Powell, Deering, McMurrough, and Wade were the most prominent. Nowlan tackled and kicked well at back for Clontarf and of the others in the rear division, which did not combine, Hopkins, Seymour, Allen, and Browne did best. Of the forwards, V. S. and E. A. Roche, Cannon, and W. D. Ryan showed up best.

Bective pressed at the start, and after a couple of frees to them, which fell short, J. O'Neill sent Meldon over, to ground behind the posts, Montgomery converting. After a good defence by Nowlan, Kavanagh, McMahon, and Ryan, Bective came back, and J. O'Neill, giving the "dummy," scored, but E. Powell just failed to add the points. From a Bective rush S. Ballagh scored. Powell's kick falling short, and near the interval a high kick by Collopy led up to O'Neill scoring for Montgomery to convert. In the second half O'Donnell ran right through from half-way, to ground under the bar, but Montgomery's kick went low. Then Clontarf pressed, and Seymour kicking ahead Ryan scored for Seymour to improve. The losers were unlucky in not registering a couple more scores. Result:—

Bective Rangers—2 goals 3 tries (19 points).
Clontarf—1 goal (5 points).

Teams:—

Bective Rangers—J. C. Montgomery; C. Dixon, S. Ballagh, D. J. O'Connor; J. A. O'Donnell, C. Meldon; J. O'Neill; W. P. Collopy (rover); A. Wade, J. McMurrough, M. Deering, D. O'Brien, T. Little, E. Powell, J. Powell.

Clontarf—G. S. Nowlan; A. D. Browne, J. Hopkins, J. S. Miller, W. Freeman; J. Allen, E. Seymour; D. Butler, T. Cannon, P. J. Kavanagh, M. J. McMahon, C. O'Neill, E. A. Roche, O. Roche, W. D. Ryan.

Referee—Mr. W. H. Acton.

PALMERSTON (3) V. MONKSTOWN (3).

If the form displayed by these teams in the game at Clonskeagh on Saturday could be taken as a criterion, neither Monkstown nor Palmerston will go very far in the approaching Cup competition. Although not at full strength and reduced to fourteen men by O'Sullivan having to retire through injury before half-time, Monkstown, in particular, played disappointingly, their forwards being sluggish and failing to get possession with any frequency in the scrums, and their backs were below their usual standard. The result was a draw, both sides scoring a try and this was the most satisfactory result.

Palmerston, who had much the better of the argument forward and defended stoutly, the playing of an extra back being effective in the latter respect, had far more chances of scoring than Monkstown, but their backs were utterly unable to take advantage of their opportunities, and generally lost ground when they attempted passing. Monkstown also played only seven men in the pack, O'Reilly filling a nondescript position near the scrum, where he seemed to be wasted, but when O'Sullivan retired he dropped back to centre three-quarter, Buchanan going full-back. Except in the early stages of the game, the Palmerston forwards got possession much more frequently, and also followed up with more zeal in the loose play, and while the Monkstown backs handled and ran much better they were held well in check by strong tackling and the good covering-up of the home backs, who got back to the danger point with remarkable quickness. The pace was good throughout, and, by reason of the state of the scoring, the play was exciting in the closing stages.

V. Kirwan, though missing one or two tackles, played his usual steady game at full for Palmerston, his fielding and kicking being always accurate. The three-quarters were never together in attack, but Hogan and Armstrong put in a lot of good work individually. Hill, playing as seven-eighth, did an amount of good tackling and kicking, and saved at least two scores. D. Hussey, in getting the ball too well away from the scrums, ran strongly occasionally and spoiled and tackled unerringly. The best of a good pack were Wilson, S. Kirwan, Anderson and Kean.

For Monkstown, O'Sullivan was kept busy at full for the short time he was on the field, and handled well. The three-quarters were good up to

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Teams—

Blackrock College—E. B. Willis; L. D. McMullan, A. Kenny, M. Crowe, D. Stanley; V. Healy, J. C. Brennan; J. Gleeson, S. Keogh, D. Brien, E. Maguire, J. Courtney, M. Hogan, P. Callaghan.

Wanderers—D. Kennedy; Rev. R. Watson, J. Keegan, R. Young, W. Greer; P. Murray, J. R. Lambert; A. M. Anderson, R. Fidler, G. D. Jones, L. J. Murray, A. Nowlan, N. Potterton, J. R. Daly, D. T. Young.

Referee—Mr. T. Bell.

BECTIVE RANGERS (19) V. CLONTARF (5).

Rangers defeated Clontarf at Donnybrook on Saturday by 2 goals and 3 tries to a goal from a try. Although the winning margin would seem to indicate great superiority on the side of the winners, it was not actually so, for though Rangers scored four times in the first half, and, converting two of the tries, held a lead of 16 points clear at the interval, Clontarf bucked up to such an extent that they kept the home score down to one additional try in the second half, in which they held their own. Neither side was at full strength, Bective being without J. Ballagh, James Farrell, and Fagan, while Bruen and Carey who is going to Scotland) were absent from the visiting ranks. Indeed, both teams were not complete till the last moment, and W. Freeman, who was making his first appearance this season, was impressed by Clontarf to fill a vacancy.

The weather was fine, there was no breeze, and the pitch was in excellent condition; but the play at any time never rose above mediocrity. For Bective Montgomery was sound and reliable at back, and the three-quarters, Dixon, S. Ballagh, and O'Connor, showed pace and did good individual work, but they lacked the driving power of O'Donnell at five-eighths, the old Blackrock College centre leaf Blackrock for possession, and were superior in the tight scrums, but though they had some bouts of neat handling, their attack lacked sting. Blackrock, on the other hand, beaten for yard, had their chances of combined attack considerably diminished, and though they got going several many times in the second half, they found themselves up against a stubborn defence. Crowe was the outstanding man in their attack, and good, long, dangerous punting to touchline was a feature of the game. Before the half-time whistle a penalty kick at the home 25 and landing the ball on the cross-bar, fortunately to go over from the run, and at the line gave to Scroggin for a try was brought down by Greer. Nearing the interval Blackrock were again close on a score, Kennedy being pulled down near the line, but the defence proved sound.

Blackrock had most of the attack in the second half, and within ten minutes of the re-start Gorevan had put the ball from a scrum at the visitors' 25 to Healy, who gave to Crowe, who finished a fine run by scoring, but failed to add the major points. This proved the only score in the period, though there were two or three further critical moments for Wanderers. Result:—

Bective Rangers—2 goals 3 tries (19 points).

Clontarf—1 goal (5 points).

Teams—

Bective Rangers—J. C. Montgomery; J. C. L. Dixon, S. Ballagh, D. J. O'Connor; J. C. O'Donnell, A. Wade, J. O'Neill; W. P. Collopy (forwards), T. Little, E. Powell, J. Powell.

Clontarf—G. S. Nowlan; A. D. Browne, J. H. Hopkins, J. S. Miller, W. Freeman; J. Allen, E. N. Seymour, D. Butler, T. Cannon, P. J. Kavanagh, J. McMahon, C. O'Neill, E. A. Roche, O. S. Roche, W. D. Ryan.

Referee—Mr. W. H. Acton.

PALMERSTON (3) V. MONKSTOWN (3).

If the form displayed by these teams in their game at Cloghran on Saturday could be taken as a criterion, neither Monkstown nor Palmerston will go very far in the approaching Cup competition. Although not at full strength and reduced to fourteen men by O'Sullivan having to retire through injury before half-time, Monkstown, in particular, played disappointingly, their forwards being slug-gish and failed to get possession with any frequency in the scrums, and their backs were below their usual standard. The result was a draw, a satisfactory result to neither side, scoring a try and this was the most Palmerston, who look much the better of the exchanges forward and defended stoutly, the play-ing of an extra back being effective in the latter respect, had far more chances of scoring than Monkstown, but their backs were utterly unable to take advantage of their opportunities, and generally lost ground when they attempted passing. Monkstown also played only seven men in the pack, the eighth, where he seemed to be wasted, but when Buchanan retired he dropped back to centre three-quarter, where he seemed to be wasted, but when Buchanan going full-back, except in the early stages of the game, the Palmerston forwards followed up with more zeal in the loose play, and while the Monkstown backs handled and ran much better they were held well in check by strong tackling and the good covering-up of the home backs, who got back to the danger point with re-markable quickness. The pace was good through-out, and, by reason of the state of the scoring, was exciting in the closing stages.

Kirwan, though missing one or two passes, played his usual steady game at full for Palmerston, his tackling being always reliable, and kicking being always safe. The three-quarters were never together for any length, but Horan and Armstrong put in a bit of good work individually. Hill, playing as a forward, did an amount of good tackling and screwing, and saved at least two scores. D. Husser, at centre, ran strongly occasionally and made openings, but unfortunately. The best of a good lot of forwards were Morrison, Anderson and Kean.

For Monkstown, O'Sullivan was kept busy at full back for the short time he was on the field, and defended well. The three-quarters were good up to a point, but failed to finish off their movements, and O'Brien and O'Reilly were not in a position to take advantage individually. Hickeman sacrificed speed to pass in his passes from the scrum, and Manly frequently failed to take them. The latter put in an amount of strong running, but his passes were ill-judged on occasions. The forwards were fairly even, Morrison, Harris and Hogan being the pick of the pack, and Connolly were the best Monkstown. Although Monkstown were frequently dangerous in the early stages of the game they only registered one score. This was obtained by Manly, who raced past several opponents to ground the ball under the bar, but Hickeman's kick was charged down. For the remainder of the game play was almost continually near the Monkstown line, but only one score resulted. Hogan, after getting the touch for Palmerston after Barnett had been tackled and held in the ball. Anderson failed with the kick. Result:—

Monkstown—1 try (3 points).

Teams:—

Palmerston—V. E. Kirwan; A. D. Pringle, M. Hogan, S. Heuchie, J. Armstrong; C. H. Hill, J. E. Kean, S. V. Wilson, R. J. Hussey, J. Kean, S. V. Hill, Cathcart, Wilson, R. J. Anderson, J. T. Morrison, J. Radcliff, T. A. Thompson.

Monkstown—J. H. O'Sullivan; D. L. O'Brien, W. Barnett, A. A. Buchanan; T. Manly, T. Bisset; D. C. Todd, M. A. O'Reilly; J. V. Murphy, J. C. Ross, Byrne, D. Connolly, A. J. Walmsley.

Referee—Mr. W. A. Daish.

OLD WESLEY (10) V. LANSDOWNE (9).

Though the standard of play never reached a high class, the match between Lansdowne and Old Wesley, played at Lansdowne road on Saturday, was by a dropped goal a penalty goal and a try (10 points) to a penalty goal and 2 tries (9 points), torial point of view, they were about on a par, the game, Lansdowne were unlucky to leave the field a defeated side, as a penalty goal kicked by Hogan for the home side was disallowed owing to the ball striking a Wesley player, and after the ball striking a Wesley player, and after the ball had been kicked by Hogan, however, defensive for the greater portion of the first half, ford at full-back, and O'Reilly at half, were on the scrambled Lansdowne as to keep their line in check, still playing through the half, when a smart piece of try for Wesley, which he failed to convert. The visitors kept up the pressure and from a free Young kicked a penalty. Clever footwork by Brown and Dunn, backed up by good kicking by Jack, gave Lansdowne a footing in the Wesley half, and Hogan tried to break through, but was tackled by Spence, a little later McGuire broke away, but he was forwards, and Young looked like getting away, when Hogan tackled. Passing by the Lansdowne backs was nipped in the bud by Spence, and Old Wesley attacked up to the interval.

The second period was started with a strong attack by Lansdowne, whose backs were at once on the move, and Lightfoot was only held up on the line by Young. Then came another movement, on this time the ball was run along the left to Harris, who Wesley attacked, but they were unconverted. Lansdowne still pressed, and Young, from a free, dropped a small goal, giving his side a lead of 7 points. From the kick-out Lansdowne at once assumed the aggressive, and from a free kicked a goal. Keeping up the pressure Lansdowne were awarded another free, from which Hogan again kicked a goal, which, however, was disallowed. Even play followed till nearing the finish, when Lightfoot found up a movement by scoring an unconverted try for Lansdowne.

Smith played a grand game in the last line of defence for the winners, and Richardson and Glanville were the best of the three-quarters, Spence the better half, and Gray, Clegg and May the pick of the forwards. For Lansdowne side Jack, Dunn and McEnery (forwards) were most noticeable. Result:—

Old Wesley—1 dropped goal, 1 penalty goal and 1 try (10 points).

Lansdowne—1 penalty goal and 2 tries (9 points).

The teams were:—

Lansdowne—H. W. Jack; J. J. Harris, E. J. Lightfoot, J. Arigho, R. E. Maguire, H. Dunn, A. S. F. Hogan; W. Brown, F. Conroy, J. Mann, A. Carauff.

Old Wesley—W. M. Smith; W. H. Glanville, L. L. Richardson, V. K. Bailey, J. Wheeler, J. G. Young, W. K. Spence (captain), C. Gray, G. W. Clegg, C. May, W. O. Dunwoody, D. C. Fitzpatrick, J. D. Seymour, M. Sandhurst, J. Ruttle, J. Dalrymple.

Referee—Mr. C. Sturr.

ULSTER SENIOR CUP.

COLLEGIANS (5) v. INSTONIANS (3).

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There was no score in the first half, and this about fairly represented the run of play for the period. The game had only been a few minutes in progress in the second period when a mistake by Kerr let Instonians in, and in a run down the line MacKenzie got three first to score a try, which Watson did not convert. Within a few minutes, however, Henry got a nice first touch at the corner flag, and from a long throw-in Gillespie got the ball and passed to Boyle, who beside the posts converted the try, and this proved the winning score of the match. For a long time after this Instonians were content on the attack, but the Collegians' defence stood the strain, despite many exciting moments, and Collegians in the closing stages were again on the offensive. Result:—

Collegians ... 1 goal (5 pts.)

Instonians ... 1 try (3 pts.)

Teams:—

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Referee—Mr. R. W. Harland.

QUEEN'S (12) v. N.I.F.C. (11).

There was plenty of excitement in the Queen's University and N.I.F.C. match, at Ravenhill, on Saturday. The students won by a point, the final score being a goal, a dropped goal and a try (11 points), to a goal, a try, and a penalty goal in their favour. Anything might have happened as a couple of minutes from the end Hewitt kicked a penalty goal to win the game, but a moment later Stephenson was just short with a similar shot. Early on, when the ball had gone loose in the North quarter, Hewitt picked up and ran in for a score between the posts, which he himself converted. Not long afterwards Stephenson kicked a penalty goal and the rest of the half was keenly contested without anything tangible. So far as scoring is concerned, until close to the interval the ball was kicked over the Queen's line, and Stephenson's speed carried him there in time to get a try, but he failed with the kick, which was a difficult one.

Stephenson was responsible for putting North further ahead early on in the second half, as after dribbling on from a cross kick of Jackson's he picked up and went across for a try, to which he added the extra points. Queen's pressed resolutely and constantly after this, and found the main factor stopping their progress the fine defensive play of Stephenson. When Hewitt dropped a goal from a mark on the home side's quarter of an hour to play left the issue very long out in the North 25, where North were penalised, and Hewitt goaled. Stephenson missed a penalty just before the finish. Result:—

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N.I.F.C. ... 2 goals (1 penalty) and 1 try (11 pts.)

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Queen's University—F. P. G. Ritchie; J. W. Stewart, J. N. M'Feeters, T. Hewitt, J. A. Corkey; E. M'Kee, J. T. Rea; G. Caruth, N. W. Calvin, R. H. Common, M. L. Forster, K. Forsythe, J. Gourley, L. C. Mayne, G. J. Ryan.

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"FESTOONED WITH SAXONS."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—"Interested," in your issue of yesterday, is wrong. The "famous player" referred to is Willie Watson Pike, of the then celebrated Kingstown school, Dr. Chambers's, which supplied many men to the International teams for years in succession at that time. This is distinctly and correctly stated in your issue of the 8th inst., in the article headed "Football Fifty Years Ago."

Other International men from that school were George Landy Logan, Ernest Greene and D. F. Rambaut.—Yours, etc.,

"CONTEMPORARY."

Co. Monaghan, February 18th, 1926.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It is now seventeen years since I drew attention in print (for the first time, I think) to the above phrase, and in the following terms:—"I was present at this match (1882), and recollect the furore that the play created. One reporter—I should say it was the late J. J. McCarthy; it is his style, for a ducat—described him as staggering over the goal line 'festooned with Saxons,' and that is more than quaint; it is really gorgeous. Pike possessed phenomenal physique, and on this day was the darling of the crowd, as MacLear was a couple of seasons ago with us."

It is true, as your correspondent, "R.T.C.B.," points out, that Pike did not score in this match; but, even so, he may be considered without a try resulting. It is all a long time ago now. The matter is, in the main, a literary one. The phrase is the "onlie begetter" of this phrase! I remember, like many other Rugby players in Dublin, listened to McCarthy holding forth in club dressing rooms, and "festooned with Saxons" is at once with his usual flamboyant style. Both of the three forwards played, so typical of R. C. Bishop was the better goalkeeper on the day, and had no chance with the shots which beat him. The same remark applies to those of the four scores registered against E. D. Dillon. In the fourth case he appeared to misjudge the ball and kicked inside it.

THE SCORING.

Wales opened the scoring at the end of twelve minutes' play, Roberts finishing off a movement which developed on the right. Two minutes later Ireland equalised, MacDonogh getting past Bishop after a long corner. Two goals in quick succession, Evans and Roberts, again put Wales a commanding lead, but just on the interval MacGregor got Ireland's second, this time from a penalty corner.

In the second half nearly twenty minutes had slipped away before MacGregor equalised—a grand drive from another penalty, which got the back of the net high up. Several good clearances by both goal-keepers, and in the last five minutes came the winning goal by C. E. Arnold, after Dillon had saved well from Roberts.

Teams:—

WALES.

Goal—R. C. Bishop (Abergavenny).

Full backs—G. P. Lampard-Yachell (Hampstead) and H. Clarke (Chepstow).

Half-backs—E. D. Thomas (Old Caterinians), C. H. Owen (Hightown), Sharpe (Old Kingstonians).

Forwards—E. C. Arnold (Bangor Univ.), J. H. Lewis (Mid-Surrey), M. D. A. Evans (Cardiff Univ.), L. L. Roberts (R.E.), W. J. Beynon (Swansea).

IRELAND.

Goal—E. N. Dillon (Holywood).

Full backs—W. J. M. Dick (Cliftonville), W. Stockil (L.F.Y.M.A.).

Half-backs—H. T. Heard (R.E.), S. R. Malcolmson (Banbridge) (capt.), C. A. Gamble (E. Antrim).

Forwards—R. T. S. Bailey (Lisnagarvey), C. Sully (Railway Union), G. G. MacGregor (Lisnagarvey), W. P. MacDonogh (E. Antrim), N. Coburn (Banbridge).

Umpires—J. Gordon Boyd (England), J. Fullerton (Scotland).

IRELAND V. SCOTLAND. THE IRISH XI.

After the Irish-Welsh match the Selection Committee met and chose the following team to meet Scotland at Inverness on March 6th:—

Goal—C. W. Gibson (Kingstown G.S.).

Full-backs—W. J. M. Dick (Cliftonville), W. Stockil (Limerick F.Y.M.A.).

Half-backs—R. R. Malcomson (Banbridge) (capt.), W. Courtney (Queen's University), C. A. Gamble (East Antrim).

Forwards—C. Sully (Railway Union), R. W. Tydd (Chapman (Teddington), G. G. MacGregor (Lisnagarvey), W. P. MacDonogh (East Antrim), N. Coburn (Bunbridge).

In all five changes have been made. C. W. Gibson comes on vice E. N. Dillon, and W. Courtney gets the place at centre-half. S. R. Malcomson going to the wing, on the exclusion of H. T. Heard. Forward, C. Sully comes on for R. T. S. Bailey, and R. W. Tydd Chapman takes C. Sully's place at inside right.

ENGLISH LADIES' XI.

The following team has been selected to represent England (Ladies) against Wales at Nottingham on March 6th; Scotland, at Glasgow, on March 20th; and Ireland, at Merton Abbey, on March 24th:—Mrs. Maltby (South); Miss Hardy (East), and Miss Dommy (West); Miss Burness (South), Miss Cheriberlain (West), and Miss Scarlett (Midlands), Miss Chamberlain (West), Miss Macaulay (West), Miss Pollard (Midlands), Miss Osmond (West), and Miss Willcock (Midlands).

These players were also invited to tour Germany during Easter.

THREE ROCK ROVERS (3) V. LISNAGARVEY (1).

Claremont road on Saturday morning was in soft condition when Three Rock Rovers beat Lisnagarvey by 3 goals to 1, after a moderate game. Neither side was at full strength, but visitors, perhaps, having the weaker team. Lis-nagarvey had by far in it was the most of the game in the first half, and weakness in the forward rush, but Whit and Wiz principally kept them out. Even so, they were unlucky not to have scored at least once in the first half, when Rovers did not score either, so the teams changed over with the score sheet blank.

Rovers combined to press, and were awarded several corners, without result. The visitors then pressure with a good drive up the field, they returned with a good passing movement, finishing equaliser. Robinson, Medcalf and Eyre brought play to the Lisnagarvey goal, where, after a con-faulty clearance by Medcalf scored from a Rovers kept up the pressure, the visitors only breaking through a couple of times before the end.

On resuming on full time Eyre made matters certain with a good rising shot from a pass from Gilpin.

Teams:—

Three Rock Rovers—W. G. McCormick; J. M. Wiz; J. Eyre, T. Robinson, J. F. Mahony, N. Medcalf, C. Bullingham, W. Greenfield, Secretary—W. H. Greenfield.

Lisnagarvey—R. Bannister, W. Bullick, E. Brown, J. Kerr.

Umpires—Rev. J. S. Crockett and Mr. S. Kilpatrick.

LEINSTER RESULTS.

JUNIOR CUP—SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

	Goals.		Goals.
Railway Union 2nd	4	National Bank	0
Pembroke Wanderers 2nd	0	Monkstown 2nd	0

ULSTER RESULTS.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

	Goals.		Goals.
East Antrim	3	Cliftonville	0
South Antrim	5	North Down	3
	2	Banbridge	2

IRISH JUNIOR CUP—FIFTH ROUND.

Belmont	3	Portrush	2

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—"B" DIVISION.

North Down 2nd	2	Antrim 2nd	1
Cliftonville 2nd	3	Y.M.C.A. 2nd	1
Banbridge 2nd	3	South Antrim 2nd	2

JUNIOR LEAGUE—"A" DIVISION.

Antrim 3rd	4	Holywood 2nd	1
East Antrim 3rd	2	Albert Foundry 2nd	0

BALLYCASTLE SHIELD—THIRD ROUND.

Ballycastle	1	Civil Service	1
Victoria College	1	Coleraine Academy	2
Queens 2nd	5	Instonians	4

LADIES' SCHOOLS—SEMI-FINAL.

Victoria College	1	Coleraine Academy	2

WHITE CUP.

Queens 2nd	5	Instonians	4

LADIES' INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

SATURDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 27th,

SCOTLAND v. IRELAND,

PARK AVENUE, 2.45 p.m.

Reserved Seats (including admission), 2/6; Admission, 1/-. Booking Rivers's, Nassau street. Admission 6d. extra day of match.

—(Advt.)

MOTOR CYCLING.

PATLAND CUP TRIAL.

STANLEY WOODS WINS THE TROPHY.

Although the overhead conditions could not be better, the continuous rain of the preceding days left the course of the Patland Cup trial on Saturday in a very heavy state, adding materially to the natural difficulties of the route. It was the first competition of a season which promises to be a very busy and active one, but it was not a class that was likely to attract any save the hardened competition riders, and that only twelve novices were wise enough to enter from the whole of Ireland is given a fair idea of the enthusiasm displayed by the only eight entrants succeeded in completing the fifty-five miles over which the event was run.

The Patland Cup has heretofore been confined to the members of the motor cycling club (the Leinster), the winner ranking as the Irish champion for the year. It was made an open event on Saturday, the "hob" of Leinster being combined with it; but the cup goes to the best performer in the event.

The trial has always been of a different class to the usual run of reliability trials, the course being considerably selected with a view to making it impossible for one to obtain full marks and to reduce the number of finishers to a minimum. There were nine observed ascents in the fifty-five miles, one of these were of the "impossible" class, the only competitors to get full marks were granted to those who got up in any manner, even if they ran beside their machines. Other three of the sections the riders were encouraged to exceed twenty miles an hour if they could, and such competitors marks as were won in these sections will decide the destination of the cup in the case of a tie on marks.

The trial started from Terenure at 2 o'clock, and a field of twenty was despatched at the customary one-minute intervals. A seventeen miles cross-roads to the Dublin mountains, starting and finishing at Old Bawn, considerably increased this field. Only twelve of the starters returned to Old Bawn. Barney retired with a broken chain, taken the wrong route. The following checked at Killinardrin (the second time—S. Woods, J. J. Reggan, W. B. Parr, F. W. Moore, D. Duff, G. W. Bridges, W. J. B. Cooke, J. F. Bush, R. H. Hill, H. D. Walsh, and F. Holmes.

The hills known as "Sloggers" and "Slitherers," as was expected, proved the crucial points of the run. They were greatly improved by the rain, and only a few of the competitors made clean ascents of both.

The field was further reduced in the latter stages, and ten of the starters checked at Brittas, the remaining behind.

The marking on the various checks throughout the trial were examined with commendable promptness, and the following results have been announced:—

	Net marks Gained.
1—S. Woods, 490 c.c. Norton	125
2—F. Holmes, 494 c.c. Triumph	118
3—G. V. B. Cooke, 347 c.c. Cotton	105
4—J. J. Carvill, 490 c.c. Triumph	103
5—J. J. Reggan, 350 c.c. Cotton	100
6—J. F. Bush, 976 c.c. Royal Enfield	75
7—D. P. M'Crea, 350 c.c. O.K. Bradshaw	74
8—W. B. Parr, 350 c.c. Norton	64
9—R. H. Hill, 350 c.c. Watson	58
10—F. A. Moore, 350 c.c. Chater Lea	38
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HANDBALL.

G.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Three Dublin courts were occupied with G.A.A. Championship matches yesterday. At the Inter-Inter-Club (Division I.) Garristown met D.M.G. in the Junior Division II. The matches were interesting, the afternoon's sport was provided by the Garristown one. Considering that in Division II., St. Audoen's and Garristown one. Considering that it was the visitors' first appearance in a four-wall court, their performances were good.

Scully and T. Scully (Garristown), beat P. J. Morgan and T. Morgan (Garristown), 21-19, 21-7.

M. Navin and J. Keating—21-17, 21-9.

J. Mangan and E. Anderson (St. Audoen's)—21-2, 21-7.

J. Nolan and R. Anderson (St. Audoen's)—21-2, 21-17.

G. Grainger and P. Curran (St. Audoen's) beat J. O'Brien and P. Murray (Garristown)—21-12, 13-21, 21-17.

M. Conway and J. Ryan (St. Audoen's) beat J. Murray and A. Gough (Garristown)—20-21, 21-7, 21-20.

In Marshalsea lane court, Junior (Singles) Championships were played, and resulted as follows:—

P. Kiernan (St. Catherine's) beat W. Comerford (Geraldines)—21-6, 21-15.

J. Scanlon (G.H.Q.) beat P. Conlan (St. Catherine's)—21-13, 21-12.

P. Barry (Rathmines) beat F. Beatty (Civic Guard)—21-20, 21-15.

J. Mullins (G.H.Q.) beat M. M'Colgan (U.C.D.)—20-21, 21-7, 21-5.

J. Austen (St. Catherine's) and J. Moylan (Geraldines) beat G. Howard (Civic Guard) and T. Murphy (Geraldines)—21-13.

J. Castle, T. Hughes (Clontarf) beat J. Tobin (Clontarf)—21-8, 21-13.

In the Intermediate Singles, A. Finn (

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